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CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

DELEGATES GENERALLY PLEASED WITH NEW CONCESSIONS.

SIGNIFICANCE OF FEDERATION

The Round Table Conference has ended as it opened—in an atmosphere of subdued enthusiasm. Queen Anne's drawing room in St James's Palace was packed for the historic scene when Mr. Ramsay MacDonald this afternoon rose to deliver the speech winding up the Conference.

Journalists for the first time were admitted to the drawing room, also to the adjoining salon, where a microphone was fitted. The "talkies" were installed in the drawing-room to record the final proceedings.

Mr. MacDonald's speech, reviewing the work for the past ten weeks, was cordially cheered when it renewed promises of the conferment of Dominion Status in India, and gave assurances that India was destined to achieve full self-government.

PROBLEM OF FRANCHISE

London, Yesterday. The Maharajah of Patiala, Sir Muhammad Shafi, Sir Srinivasa Sastri and the Begum Shah Nawaz all spoke, thanking Mr. MacDonald and colleagues, also Conservatives and Liberals, for their help, guidance, and encouragement, to which Mr. MacDonald replied by thanking them and saying that much work was still to be done; hoping that all would be spared to see it substantially advanced.

The Premier read a message from His Majesty replying to the Conference's loyal message and wishing the delegates Godspeed.

Mr. MacDonald concluded by adjourning the Conference sine die. The delegates gave three hearty cheers for the King Emperor, the Prime Minister, Lord Justice Sankey, and Mr. Wedgwood Benn. The band of the Coldstream Guards in an adjoining room played "God Save the King" and "Auld Lang Syne."

At the Conference this morning the session unanimously passed a resolution expressing the opinion that the reports of the sub-committees afforded material of the highest value for use in framing the constitution for India, embodying as they did substantial agreement on the main ground plan; also expressing the opinion that arrangements should be made to pursue without interruption the work on which the Conference had been engaged, including the provision in the constitution of adequate safeguards for Mussulmans, depressed classes, Sikhs and all other important minorities.

Women's Place.

At the Plenary Session Mr. MacDonald appealed to 20 delegates down to speak to withdraw their names, in view of the shortness of time. A number did so. Then Mr. Patiala resumed the general discussion and emphasized that the Princes could only federate with British India, which was self-governing. Mrs. Subbarayan urged that women must be given full opportunity to contribute their services if India was to take a rightful place among modern nations.

Lord Peel said that the outstanding feel of the conference had been the great change of opinion that had brought the conception of a federal India to a state of reality. He said that the future attitude of Conservatives would depend upon complete equality treatment being granted to British traders and British trade, in connection with which he was surprised to see reservations made in some quarters on January 26.

Lord Reading said that Liberals supported the policy of conferring responsibility to the centre, provided the safeguards were adequate, and, after listening to the debates, they saw no reason to change their attitude.

To Free Prisoners.

Lord Reading said he hoped that the Indian delegates on their return to India would be able to convince their compatriots and

India would then walk in the ways of constitutional progress and development. He concluded by saying that Great Britain would not be deterred from performing the duty of discharging her obligations by threats or violence. She could and would be won as she hoped to win India, by sympathy, goodwill, and co-operation.

Sir Tej Sapru appealed to the Prime Minister to take his courage with both hands and release all political prisoners and let a new era be established and the struggle of the last few months be forgotten.

Give and Take.

Sir Tej Sapru began his speech (which concluded by appealing for a release of prisoners), stressing the unanimity of feeling among the Indian delegates that they were leaving behind a friend—Britain whose greatest statesmen came to talk terms of equality in a spirit of give and take, not to dictate to Indians. He said that three central ideas had emerged from the Conference, firstly, the materialisation of the idea of an All-India Federation, largely owing to the patriotic attitude of the Indian Princes; secondly, the idea of responsibility at the centre; thirdly, that India must in future be prepared to defend herself. He was prepared for many doubts in India about the scheme, but emphasized that there had not been a single constitution established in any Dominion, whether Ireland, Australia, or South Africa, which had not been taken exception to by a certain number of people.

Remarkable Change.

Sir Tej Sapru referred to the recent remarkable change in the attitude of the Conservative Party as voiced by Lord Peel and paid a tribute to the wisdom and statesmanship of the Lord Chancellor, who was largely responsible for the success of the Federal Structures Committee. He appealed to his countrymen in India to make a further contribution to the improvement of Lord Sankey's scheme, one of the merits of which was that it had not bolted the door against further suggestion.

Advance of Liberty.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, in his speech winding up the Conference, paid a handsome tribute to the Simon Commission. Expressing regret at the absence of Congress representatives, he said that he was one of those who believed that he who stirs enmity between peoples is not going to advance liberty in the world.

Referring to the necessity of the inclusion of safeguards in the constitution, the Premier said that one such category was in every free constitution in the world. Another category which was necessary in India's own interest concerned finance, and the third related to the communities.

He asserted that the Government was not pro-Hindu or pro-Muslim, and expressed a pride that the gap between Hindus and Muslims had been closed.

"A SHAMELESS OLD WOMAN"

Still Telling Lies at 70 Years of Age.

DRUGS FOR ACTOR.

"Seventy years old, and still you tell lies," said Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, to a Chinese woman who was charged with having had a quantity of opium and 8 lbs. of tobacco in her possession, without permits.

Defendant pleaded that she brought the drugs down to give to an actor at a theatre in Hong Kong. She did not know the name of the actor or the name of the theatre.

Asked if she had ever been in Hong Kong, defendant replied that she had not been at all, but later said that she had been once to Wanchai. She added: "I have been in Hong Kong twice only."

"Some Sausages."

His Worship: Then why did you come at all?

Defendant: I brought some sausages with me to give to my friends in Hong Kong.

Mr. Lindell: You are really a shameless old woman (then to Revenue Office Ward) I don't want to send this woman to jail. She is 73 years old.

R.O. Ward said that the opium was found concealed in a patch, which had been sewn on the outside of a rattan sack. The tobacco might possibly be for her own consumption, he added.

His Worship remanded the case till to-morrow, in the endeavour to find anyone who could speak up for the old woman.

TRAFFIC IN OPIUM.

BEING CONTINUED ON AN IMMENSE SCALE.

LEAGUE INTERVENTION.

Geneva, Yesterday. The League of Nations Central Opium Board of publicity and propaganda has failed to reduce appreciably the world traffic in opium, reported Mr. Lyall, the Chairman of the Opium Committee to the Council.

He said that the traffic continued on an immense scale, and falling other means the Board must use its powers to denounce the countries which are in danger of becoming centres of the illicit traffic.

The report of the Board to the Council complains of certain countries, some of whom have signed the Geneva Opium Convention, being slow in responding to its request for information. Some gave the figures only of legal imports, not referring to the seizure of illicit drugs. Others lumped their tropical and European territories together; while information from the South American and Central American States was almost entirely absent.

The Council adopted the Board's suggestions that it should be allowed to recommend an embargo on the imports of drugs from the offending countries; also that the origin of illicit drugs seized should be reported to the Board.—Reuter.

Long Reports.

Geneva, Yesterday. The League Council's proceedings have been most expeditious, much time being saved by a proposal of Mr. Henderson, the president, to discontinue the practice of the reading of long reports by the rapporteurs. Only the resolutions appended to reports will be read in future.

The Council agreed to the Chinese application for the services of Sir Arthur Selver, and Mr. Haas to advise on the reform of Chinese finances, and the organisation of the inland waterways.

Mr. Henderson observed that the Council was happy to learn of this application from China, and the interest the Chinese Government was taking in the League.

The Council adjourned to January 20, when the report of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission will come up.

The Council has accepted a gift of \$10,000 for preparation of a conference on reform of the calendar.—Reuter.

BRITISH BOMBING PLANE CRASHES.

Two Officers and One Mechanic Killed.

EIGHTH FATALITY.

London, Yesterday. A Royal Air Force "Virginia" bombing plane crashed at the aerodrome building at Worthey, near Winchester to-day, two flying officers and one aircraftman being killed. A fourth occupant was unhurt. Eight clerks in the building were injured and two motor-cars wrecked.—Reuter.

[This is the eighth fatal air crash in the Royal Air Force in Great Britain since January 1 of this year.]

MODERATE.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

The anti-cyclone over S. China has dissipated. Another has formed over S.E. Mongolia.

Moderate to fresh monsoon prevails along the S.E. Coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds; moderate; fair.

Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1. 0.11 inch against an average of 0.63.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	58
Macao	58
Pratas Island	70
Manila	68
Poonchow	47
Amoy	48
Swatow	48
Chefoo	24
Shanghai	33

ARMED ROBBERY.

WOMAN CHARGED WITH RECEIVING RING.

In connection with the armed robbery at 62a, Bonham Road, second floor, a woman appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with having received a gold finger ring, which had been stolen.

Detective-Sergeant Meadows, for the prosecution, said that there would be evidence to say that when the Police went to the woman's house, she (defendant) passed the ring on to another person who threw it into a dustbin. He asked for 24 hours' remand in Police custody, and this was granted by Mr. Lindell.

It will be recalled that yesterday, a man was charged with having participated in the alleged robbery, and with having stolen property to the value of \$340.

\$10 FOR PROTECTION.

For causing malicious damage to the property of Chan Shet-ying at 109, Temple Street, at about 9.30 last night, Leung Yau appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day. The charge of malicious damage was waived, but accused was convicted for assault and fined \$20, or three weeks.

The complainant, a Chinese girl, said defendant came to see her last night and was quarrelled because she would not give him \$10 to join a society for protection from molestation.

LOCAL WEDDING.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Miss Lazzara, daughter of Mr. Lazzara, Engineer, aboard the President Marconi, and residing at 11, Wing Lok Building, Kowloon, to Miss Pangdian de Jesus, residing at the same address.

HOUSEBOY CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Owner of House Aroused By Shrieks.

TALE OF A FIGHT.

At this morning's hearing of the case in which a "boy" charged with murder at Felix Villas in the early morning of December 18, witnesses were closely questioned about a door communicating with the house, at the end of a short passage from the kitchen.

Mr. Ohl, master of the house, who stated that he was now living at No. 2, Felix Villas, said that the door in question was invariably kept open. It was pointed out to him that in the Police photograph it was shown shut.

Aroused by Shrieks.

Mr. Ohl could advance no reason as to why it should have been shut, as when he was aroused by shrieks, and came downstairs on the night of the crime, he distinctly noticed that the door was open. It was still open when he returned with Sergeant Clark from No. 7 Police Station. After that he left the entire matter in the hands of the Police.

The widow was then recalled. She said that when she came out into the passage to give the alarm the door was shut. She herself opened it, so as to call out into the house.

Blood Stains.

It had previously been established that the door opened into the passage, and the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, remarked that there were blood stains shown in it in the photograph, on the passage side.

The first witness called was a house coolie employed at No. 9. He said he had been employed there for some little time, going there after accused was dismissed, and taking the place of the victim, who had been promoted to No. 1 boy. He had been accused twice at the house after that.

Witness said he slept with his brother in an inner room across the duty of the boy to lock the gates in the yard, and witness saw him do so on the night in question. In fact the man asked witness if he had done so, and receiving a reply in the negative, bolted the gates immediately. This was about 8.30 p.m.

Awakened By Screams.

Witness then retired, and was awakened later by screams from the woman. He and his brother ran across to the kitchen, the door of which was open, and the light inside burning. They went through to the passage. "There I saw the boy's wife and my master," witness said, "The boy was lying on the ground. As I returned I noticed that the back gate was open."

Cross-examined, witness said he had been to No. 9 three or four times a month before he went to work there. He was then living at No. 7, Bowen Road. It was the duty of the boy to bolt the gates at the back, not his.

Answering His Lordship, witness said that the boy and accused had a fight once, but appeared to him to be friendly afterwards.

Witness became confused when asked by the Foreman of the Jury if he had seen the pair fight. He first of all said that he saw a "fight" lasting about half an hour, in October, but after considerable questioning by the interpreter said he did not actually see it at all. He had been told about it.

His Lordship: "The answer to the question is therefore that witness did not see any fight at all. He was telling a story about something he had heard!"

Witness added that he had never seen the accused carrying a weapon.

Rows With Cook.

Mr. Ohl, in evidence, said he got rid of accused because he continually had rows with the cook and coolies. He had himself stopped a fight one night between the accused and the cook.

On the night of the crime he was awakened by the woman's shrieks. That would be about 4.54 a.m. He went down to investigate, and later fetched the Police. Cross-examined, witness said he was reluctant to part with accused, who was a very good boy. He dismissed him finally upon a complaint from the cook on October 1, and

GENERALS MEET IN HONG KONG.

One of the Kwangsi "Big Four" Here.

A PEACE TALK.

Canton, Yesterday. General Wu Ting-yang, the erstwhile Kwangsi divisional commander, who was on a mission last fortnight to Kwangsi, as previously reported, taking the route from Hong Kong to Lungchow, via Annam, returned to Hong Kong on Saturday in company with General Wang Shao-hung, one of the "Kwangsi Big Four," and called on Canton the following morning in order to report on the result of his trip in connection with the repentance of the rebel leaders to the Canton civil and military executives.

After having submitted a satisfactory report, General Wu, accompanied by Mr. Ho Tung, Chief officer attached to the 8th Route Army Headquarters, proceeded to Hong Kong yesterday, with the object of consulting further detailed arrangements of the Kwangsi situation with General Wang Shao-hung, who was unable personally to visit Canton, due to sea-sickness on his voyage to Hong Kong.

To Submit Surrender.

The object of General Wang Shao-hung to Hong Kong is to represent the Ironside-Kwangsi Generals with full authority to submit a wholesale surrender to the Central Government. As soon as he obtains an understanding from the Canton authorities, General Wang will depart together with General Wu for Nanking to interview President Chiang.

Judging by the constant visit of General Wu at Canton coupled with the recent arrival of General Wang Shao-hung at Hong Kong, it appears that a peaceful movement of the Kwangsi situation is now in sight.

Vigilance Relaxed.

The Ironside-Kwangsi insurgents have relaxed their vigilance in Nanking and other ports along the upper West River, indicative of the conclusion of warfare being fast approaching. According to a report, the insurgent soldiers in uniform are seldom seen in the Kwangsi capital; they are said to have entrenched themselves in the neighbouring villages and towns of Nanking, in the virtue of avoiding a possible conflict with the Canton forces at the front.

Cantonese Dispositions.

Before receiving orders for a further advance, the Cantonese forces of the 59th division under Yu Hon-mou and the Independent Brigade under Wang Yam-wan are now stationed in Penyang; those under Lai Ting-kam in Lai-pen; and those under Chang Suk-wei in Kwelping.

Since their withdrawal to the Yunnan border, the Yunnanese troops, having participated in the Kwangsi campaign, have been reinforced by two contingents of fresh troops, who are now ordered by General Lung Yun, C-in-C of the 10th Route Army, to head for Kwangsi again with Poseh as their objective, so as to bring direct pressure on the insurgents to submit an early surrender.—Canton News Agency.

Witness gave him a good recommendation to another gentleman who wished to engage him.

Two Burglaries.

As regards two burglaries at his house, he was of opinion that the thieves gained access to the house from the front. However, he had given strict instructions that the back gates were to be kept bolted at night.

On the night in question there were in the house, his wife and himself, a European nurse, the baby amah, and his three children. The baby amah employed at the house, answering Mr. d'Almada, said she had never seen accused and the boy's wife together.

The widow was then again recalled. Cross-examined, she said that she had little occasion to speak to accused. She was naturally annoyed with him because he had hurt her husband. In the course of a fight, "She was not angry because he had complained that she made too much noise when she visited her husband at No. 9."

The case is proceeding.

THE ROMANCE OF ADVERTISING

Wiles of Hoaxers and Swindlers.

CHESHIRE CATS.

One of the regrettable features of the history of advertising is the frequency with which the swindler has invoked the help of publicity in order to snare his prey. Though a brief survey of this disreputable partnership can scarcely be edifying, yet it may serve a useful purpose in pointing out the unchanging methods of the trickster and the unwavering credulity of the general public.

If the trickster has never varied his technique, his victims can roughly be divided into those who suffer undeservedly, and those who get what they deserve.

To the latter category for instance are to be assigned the citizens of Chester, who were hoaxed in the year of the Battle of Waterloo. The city was placarded with advertisements stating that, in view of Napoleon's exile to St. Helena, it was necessary to make that island habitable; that at present it was suffering from a plague of rats and mice; and that in order to rid the island of this pest, the Government would pay "sixteen shillings for every athletic full-grown tomcat, ten shillings for every adult female puss, and half a crown for every thriving vigorous kitten."

Citizens were told to bring their superfluous cats to a certain street in the middle of Chester at a given hour. Thousands were hoaxed, bringing their cats in tins, baskets, cages, and portmanteaux. The cat went mad, and pandemonium lasted for several hours. In the furious stampede, which followed the crowd's discovery of the hoax, several thousand cats lost their lives; and tradition says that it is as a result of this attempt of Chester to sell its feline population that the Cheshire cat maintains to this day a perpetual and proverbial grin.

That the rage of a credulous mob's disillusionment may well prove a menace to the peace has been shown time and again. Perhaps the most notable instance was the Bottle Hoax in 1749, when, in order to test the credulity of the public, the Duke of Montagu advertised that on a certain evening at the Haymarket Theatre a man "would get into a tavern bottle, without equivocation, and while there sing several songs, and suffer any spectator to handle the bottle."

Thousands besieged the theatre; and when it became apparent that no such miracle was to take place, the infuriated mob, led by the "butcher" Duke of Cumberland, set to work dismantling the entire theatre.

It is perhaps inevitable that advertisements should form a valuable weapon in the hands of the quack doctor and chemist. The advertisements of the Eighteenth Century were reminiscent more of Mumbo-Jumbo than of medicine. In August, 1779, when the Silly Season was at its height, an advertiser came out with an arresting offer of "The Lisbon Dirt Drink." In spite of its unappetising name, it appears to have enjoyed a wide demand; and the manufacturer, who probably did not go further than the nearest dustheap for his panacea, made an immense fortune.

Those of the gullible public who survived the Lisbon Dirt Drink, fell ready victims a few years later to Dr. Graham, the proprietor of the Temple of Health in the Adelphi. His avowed object was "the propagation of a much more strong, beautiful, healthy, wise and virtuous, race of human beings than the present puny, insignificant, peevish, foolish, vicious and nonsensical race of Christians." He achieved his end principally by means of a "Medico-electric process," but the piece of resistance of the Temple of Health was a Celestial Bed which conferred all sorts of benefits, and which could be hired for \$100 a night.—Morning Post.

Commerce and Finance.

SHARE MARKET.

ENJAMIN AND POTTS' WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Hong Kong, January 16.
The market has been rather dull
throughout the week, but rates re-

Marine & Fire Insurances:—The exchange has also been the cause for some fluctuation in

After weakening to \$590, they have since firmed up and sales are made at \$600/610. Canton and Hong Kong Fires have remained

Shipping:—There has been no business reported during the week. Many of the local companies and rates are unchanged with the exception of a slight decline in Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steam

Docks, Wharves & Godowns:—Woolloomooloo Wharves are slightly over capacity and are obtainable at \$172 per ton.

...ina. Providents can be placed a
...40 and the new shares at \$2.65.
...Kong and Whampoa
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		Cts. Cts. Cts.				Cts. Cts. Cts.	
Butcher Meat.							
Beef	Stirlon	牛	尾	肥	lb.	80	24 12
	Prime Cut	牛			"	30	28 11
	Cornd.	成	牛	肉	"	—	23 12
	Roast	成	牛	肉	"	30	24 22
	Breast	牛	肉	肉	"	28	20 18
	Soup	牛	肉	肉	"	25	20 18
	Steak	牛	肉	肉	"	30	24 22
	Steak Stirlon	牛	肉	肉	"	44	30 85
	Sausages	牛	肉	肉	"	38	26 20
Bullock's Brains	牛	牛	牛	肉	per set	15	10 12
	Tongue, fresh	成	牛	肉	"	65	50 60
	Tongue, corned	成	牛	肉	"	—	60 —
	Head	牛	牛	肉	"	\$1.00	— \$1.20
	Heart	牛	牛	肉	lb.	24	18 14
	Hump, Salt	牛	牛	肉	"	—	20 18
	Feet	牛	牛	肉	each	10	10 12
	Kidneys	牛	牛	肉	"	15	10 12
	Tail	牛	牛	肉	"	25	20 22
	Liver	牛	牛	肉	lb.	24	18 14
	Tripes	牛	牛	肉	"	10	6 7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛	牛	牛	肉	set	\$1.20	\$1.00 \$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊	羊	羊	肉	lb.	38	25 —
	Leg	羊	羊	肉	"	86	23 —
	Shoulder	羊	羊	肉	"	34	24 —
	Saddle	羊	羊	肉	"	36	—
Pig's Chitlons	猪	猪	猪	肉	set	30	27 —
	Brains	猪	猪	肉	lb.	15	15 —
	Feet	猪	猪	肉	"	28	15 18
	Fry	猪	猪	肉	"	18	20 —
	Head	猪	猪	肉	each	15	10 10
	Heart	猪	猪	肉	"	13	10 3
	Kidneys	猪	猪	肉	lb.	48	30 24
	Liver	猪	猪	肉	"	30	25 23
Pork Chop	猪	猪	猪	肉	"	36	—
	Leg	猪	猪	肉	"	42	60 70
	Loin	猪	猪	肉	"	28	21 —
	Fat or Lard	猪	猪	肉	"	90	60 70
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊	羊	羊	肉	each	12	8 7
	Heart	羊	羊	肉	"	15	12 10
	Kidneys	羊	羊	肉	"	45	25 25
	Liver	羊	羊	肉	lb.	25	25 22
Snacking Pigs, to order	猪	猪	猪	肉	"	30	20 18
Suet, Beef	牛	牛	牛	肉	"	36	26 20
" Mutton	羊	羊	羊	肉	"	22	20 20
Veal	牛	牛	牛	肉	"	28	—
	Sausages	牛	牛	肉	"	32	—
	No. 1	牛	牛	肉	"	—	—
Fish.							
Barbel	魚	魚	魚	魚	lb.	42	16 24
Bream	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	24	20 16
Canton Fresh Water	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	24	—
Carp	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	25	13 16
Catfish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	23	16 27
Codfish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	24	12 9
Crabs	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	30	16 17
Cuttle Fish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	23	23 26
Dab	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	35	16 27
Dace	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	36	23 16
Dog Fish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	16	10 —
Yels, Conger	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	24	16 —
" Fresh Water	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	30	10 8
" Yellow	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	30	10 8
Frogs	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	52	26 30
Garoupa	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	55	32 25
Gudgeon	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	21	40 30
Herrings	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	22	22 18
Halibut	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	25	13 23
Labrus	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	24	18 15
Loach	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	52	32 13
Lobsters	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	48	62 24
Mackerel	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	25	32 21
Monk Fish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	30	20 20
Mullet	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	30	13 2
Oysters	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	27	12 2
Perrot Fish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	20	14 9
Perch	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	26	30 15
Pike	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	27	16 9
Plaice	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	39	36 29
Pomfret, White	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	42	36 30
Pomfret, Black	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	35	36 45
Prawns	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	48	10 14
Ray	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	16	10 14
Rock Fish	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	21	13 18
Ronch	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	26	22 10
Salmon	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	47	36 30
Shark	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	16	8 10
Skate	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	16	10 10
Shrimps	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	38	32 80
Snapper	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	33	28 28
Soles	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	28	22 22
Tench	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	27	26 85
Turbot	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	48	13 12
Turtles, small, fr. water	魚	魚	魚	魚	"	100	40 —
Poultry.							
Chickens	雞	雞	雞	雞	lb.	60	30 31
Capons, Small	雞	雞	雞	雞	"	52	29 30
Capons, Large	雞	雞	雞	雞	"	58	29 30
Duck	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	"	38	22 21
Doves	鴿	鴿	鴿	鴿	each	35	22 21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	蛋	蛋	蛋	蛋	per doz.	35	13 —
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	蛋	蛋	蛋	蛋	"	38	25 20
Fowls, Canton	雞	雞	雞	雞	lb.	64	35 24
Fowls, Hainan	雞	雞	雞	雞	"	50	35 24
Geese	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	"	42	24 24
Pigeons, Canton	鴿	鴿	鴿	鴿	each	40	80 —
" Holow	鴿	鴿	鴿	鴿	"	28	28 —
Turkeys, Cock	雞	雞	雞	雞	lb.	75	—
Turkeys, Hen	雞	雞	雞	雞	"	60	61 45
Snipe	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	each	25	—
Pheasant	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	pair	2.40	—
Quail	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	each	25	—
Partridges	鴨	鴨	鴨	鴨	"	30	—
Fruits.							
Almonds	杏	仁	仁	仁	lb.	85	35 —
Apples (California)	金	山	山	山	"	22	24 —
Bananas (bride's)	蕉	蕉	蕉	蕉	"	6	4 —
Carambola	楊	梅	梅	梅	"	—	12 —
Coconuts	椰	子	子	子	each	13	10 10
Lemons, China	檸檬	子	子	子	lb.	10	25 30
Lemons (American)	金	山	山	山	each	12	8 —
Lichees, Dried	荔枝	枝	枝	枝	lb.	50	25 30
Oranges (Canton)	新	會	會	會	"	12	—
Oranges	橙	橙	橙	橙	"	16	— 15
Pears (Canton)	沙	梨	梨	梨	"	16	—
Peanuts	花	生	生	生	"	15	10 12
Perseimmons, Large	紅	柿	柿	柿	"	—	12 —
Plantain	大	蕉	蕉	蕉	"	5	8 —
Pumelo, Siam	暹	羅	羅	羅	each	14	12 6
Walnuts	合	桃	桃	桃	lb.	18	— 16
Grapes	合	提	提	提	"	50	—
Vegetables, &c.							
Artichokes	芝	竹	竹	竹	each	10	— 2
Beans, Sprout	豆	豆	豆	豆	lb.	5	— 7
" Long	豆	豆	豆	豆	"	—	8 —
Beet Root	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	10	—
Bitter Squash	紅	瓜	瓜	瓜	"	8	24 —
Brinjala, Green	青	瓜	瓜	瓜	"	6	5 3
" Red	紅	瓜	瓜	瓜	"	6	5 3
Cabbage, Chinese	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	8	—
" (Shanghai)	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	16	12 —
Cane Shoots, bunch	芥	菜	菜	菜	"	8	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大	椰	椰	椰	each	18	—
" (Medium)	中	椰	椰	椰	"	13	—
" (Small)	小	椰	椰	椰	"	10	6 6
Carrots	金	菜	菜	菜	lb.	6	5 6
Celery, Chinese	美	菜	菜	菜	"	10	10 6
Chillies, Dried	美	菜	菜	菜	"	14	25 5
" Red	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	15	10 10
" Green	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	8	8 12
Curry Stuff, English	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	10	8 —
Cucumbers	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	8	2 —
Garlic	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	6	6 6
Ginger, Young	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	10	7 —
" Old	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	10	10 —
Horseradish, Shanghai	老	菜	菜	菜	"	35	8 4
Indian Corn	粟	米	米	米	"	8	45 —
Lettuce	生	菜	菜	菜	"	6	1 —
Water Chestnuts	生	菜	菜	菜	"	6	— 8
" Mandarin	林	菜	菜	菜	"	8	— 8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮	菜	菜	菜	"	—	8 —
Okroes	菜	菜	菜	菜	"	1	10 —
Onions, Bombay	洋	菜	菜	菜	"	8	8 8
" Green	生	菜	菜	菜	"	6	4 6
" Shanghai	生	菜	菜	菜	"	7	6 —
Parasly	芳	菜	菜	菜	"	25	60 8
Potato, Sweet	日	菜	菜	菜	"	5	3 —
" Japanese	日	菜	菜	菜	"	4	3 —
" American	金	菜	菜	菜	"	7	3 —
Pumpkin	多	菜	菜	菜	"	5	4 4
Radish	紅	菜	菜	菜	"	6	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大	菜	菜	菜	"	15	— 10
Shallots	大	菜	菜	菜	"	8	— 8
Spinach	大	菜	菜	菜	"	6	8 —
Tomatoes	大	菜	菜	菜	"	12	4 —
Taros	大	菜	菜	菜	"	6	7 —
Turnips, Puntl (Long)	大	菜	菜	菜	"	6	6 —
Vegetable Marrow	西	菜	菜	菜	"	—	4 —
Water Cress	洋	菜	菜	菜	"	8	15 —
Water Lily Root	蓮	菜	菜	菜	"	6	15 —

RECOVERY IN PRICE.

London, Dec. 7.

The world's production of wheat this season, according to the British Ministry of Agriculture, will show considerable increase over the preceding season.

Revised crop estimates—exclusive of Russia and some countries of minor importance—promise to be slightly in excess of 1,900 million cwt., which represents an increase of 168 million cwt. over the 1928-29 crop.

This is an increase of about 6½ per cent. over the five year averages. Russia's 1929-30 crop appears to be substantially larger than that of 1928-29 on the basis of export figures which have been made.

The Ministry of Agriculture also states that the European crop as a whole has been smaller than last year's, thus European import demand this season will be decidedly heavier.

The "Corn Trade News" estimates the total surplus available for export this season from exporting countries at 615 million cwt., and the probable demand from importing countries at 395 million cwt.

At the present time the "Corn Trade News" estimate the total Russian surplus of wheat at 60 million cwt. This figure represents about 16 per cent. of the total surplus of some 615 million cwt. in exporting countries. During the month of August, Liverpool, London and Glasgow port figures show shipments of wheat from Russia comprised about 19 per cent. of the total imported into Great Britain.

Estimated August-November exports for 1930 as compared with the same period of 1929 show that North America enjoyed a 21 million cwt. gain; Argentina suffered a loss of 27 million cwt.; Australia exported 3 million cwt. more; the Balkans and Hungary stayed on even levels with the previous year; Russia enjoyed a large gain since practically no wheat was exported in 1929.

European countries imported from August to November, 1930, 5 million cwt. more wheat than during the corresponding period of 1929. Great Britain imported 12 million cwt. less.—British United Press.

IMPOSSIBILITY OF VOLUNTARY RESTRICTION.

At the meeting of Malayan Tin Dredging, Ltd. the Chairman declared that the experience gained on the subject of tin restriction and protection made them understand the apparent impossibility of regulating the industry by voluntary co-operation. The outlook remained obscure.

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STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for January 1931, (Standard Time of the 12th Meridian, East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

Jan.	Sunrise	Sunset
20	7.05	6.03
21	7.05	6.04
22	7.05	6.04
23	7.05	6.05
24	7.05	6.06
25	7.05	6.06
26	7.04	6.07
27	7.04	6.07
28	7.04	6.09
29	7.04	6.10
30	7.03	6.10
31	7.03	6.11

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COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 10th February, 1931, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1930.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 23rd January to TUESDAY, 10th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

L. S. GREENHILL,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th January, 1931.

SPORT NOTICES

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

23th February, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 7th March, 1931

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS are now ready and may be obtained upon application to the Secretary.
Entries CLOSE on SATURDAY, 24th January, 1931.

WATER RETURN.

The level and storage of water in our reservoirs on January 1, 1931, is as under:—

	1930	1931
Tydam	13' 3" B	23' 8" B
Tydam Bowwash	19' 2" B	21' 4" B
Tydam Intermediate	0' 2" B	0' 2" B
Tydam Tuk	13' 11" B	17' 1" B
Wong Nei Chung	19' 1" B	17' 8" B
Pokfulum	10' 11" B	17' 1" B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow"]
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1930	1931
Tydam	295.90	212.98
Tydam Byewash	8.03	2.18
Tydam Intermediate	192.55	194.39
Tydam Tuk	767.42	1,035.39
Wong Nei Chung	10.55	11.05
Pokfulum	42.38	29.94

Total 1,301.93 1,487.04

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December.

	1929	1930
Consumption	210.64	278.89
Estimated population	438,580	448,900
Consumption per head per day	15.5	19.0

December, 1929.—During the whole month a 12 hours supply (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) was given to all Rider Main Districts. Principal Mains closed (6 p.m. to 4 a.m.).

December, 1930.—Constant supply throughout the City, Hill and High Level Districts during the whole month with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where a constant street fountain supply was operated from December 1 to 31, 1930.

	1930	1931
Kowloon Reservoir	954.24	528.56
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	79.28	111.97
Reception Reservoir	28.75	28.75

Total 462.27 409.38

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December.

	1929	1930
Consumption	116.88	138.38
Estimated population	179,280	179,800
Consumption per head per day	21.7	25.0

Constant supply in all districts during December, 1929 and 1930.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall: December 31, 1929, 89.83; December 31, 1930, 98.02.

UNIQUE ACTION.

ESTONIAN SUES CHINA MERCHANTS CO.

ECHO OF HSIN WAH WRECK.

A unique claim for shore allowance as the result of the loss of the Hsin Wah on January 15, 1929, in addition to alleged salary due in lieu of notice, amounting to a total of £115 and \$144, plus interest and costs, was brought by Mr. J. Jacobsen, an Estonian mariner, against the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, in the Shanghai Special District Court on January 12. The case was adjourned.

Plaintiff claimed in his petition, filed by his lawyers, Messrs. Musso, Fischer and Wilhelm, that seafaring men were entitled to recover their expenses after surviving a wreck at sea.

Particulars of the claim according to plaintiff's petition, are as follows:

1.—That the plaintiff is an Estonian and the defendants are a Chinese company and amenable to the jurisdiction of this honourable court.

2.—That the plaintiff has been in the employ of the defendants from May 16 to 21, serving as chief officer in various ships of the defendants to the satisfaction of the defendants.

3.—That the main position which the plaintiff held with the defendants was that of chief officer on board the defendants' Hsin Wah, which steamer became a total loss during the night of January 15 to the morning of January 16, 1929.

4.—That the plaintiff was picked up while drifting in the water by a fishing junk and taken to Hong Kong, where he reported himself at the defendants' office there.

5.—That during the disaster the plaintiff lost all his belongings, which was valued at \$3,030.

6.—That the plaintiff was instructed to return to Shanghai, where he reported to the defendants.

7.—That on March 6, 1929, the plaintiff was given notice by the defendants, through the China Coast Officers' Guild, that his services with the defendants were terminated, and that he would be paid up to March 15, 1929, which notice plaintiff did not accept.

8.—That the dismissal of the plaintiff by the defendants, without adequate and reasonable notice, is contrary to established custom in Shanghai and the rules of the defendant company.

9.—That the plaintiff should have been given at least three months' notice on the first of a calendar month when his salary became due.

10.—That consequently the plaintiff is entitled to salary for the time he remained in the employ of the defendants, that is, January 16, 1929, to March 6, 1930, plus three months' salary in lieu of notice, namely, salary from April 1, 1930, at the rate of £18.16 per month.

11.—Inasmuch as the plaintiff found other employment on May 16, 1930, the plaintiff claims only salary up to May 16, 1930, totalling £115.4.

12.—That it is usual and customary, in case of a disaster at sea, for the expenses of the surviving officers to be paid by the Company.

13.—That the defendants failed to pay the expenses of the plaintiff while in Hong Kong, amounting to \$22.

14.—That it is furthermore a rule of the Company, and agreed to by their employees, that an officer while ashore is entitled to a shore allowance of \$5 a day.

15.—That the defendants failed to pay a shore allowance to the plaintiff for the period mentioned.

16.—That repeated demands were without avail.

Wherefore, the plaintiff respectfully prays this honourable court for judgment against the defendants for £115.4 and \$144, plus interest and costs.

KNIGHT MARRIES AT 72.

American Bride At A London Register Office.

Sir Frederick Butterfield, who is 72, a former Mayor of Kellogg (York), was quietly married at Prince's Row Register Office to Mrs. Hilda Waters, an American. The bride and bridegroom arrived together. The bride was dressed in a black velvet frock, trimmed with narrow cream lace, a black satin coat with heavy sable collar and cuffs, and a black felt hat. She wore a large spray of purple orchids, had a necklace of pearls, and carried a Victorian posy as a bouquet.

Only a few relatives and friends were present. Colonel Thomas, the American Military Attache, was the best man.

GHASTLY MURDER.

EURASIAN KILLED IN SINGAPORE.

TERRIBLE INJURIES.

Singapore, January 10. Shortly after midnight last night a brutal murder, involving the death of an elderly Eurasian, named G. E. Schotel, an employee of the Singapore Harbour Board, occurred at 85 Nelson Road.

Mr. Schotel lived by himself in one of a long row of terraced houses, which are quarters for the Harbour Board employees. The partitions of the first floor being of wood, noises in the adjoining houses could easily be heard.

Not many minutes after midnight a Chinese gentleman in the house adjoining was awakened by the noise of a scuffle and a few seconds later of a violent thumping on the partition and shouts of "Tolong, Tolong" broke through the stillness of the night.

Realising that something serious was happening the Chinese ran and informed the police at Kampong Bahru Division, which is about 300 yards away.

In a few minutes a sergeant and two constables came to the scene. The house was in complete darkness, but the police had powerful electric torches. One of the front windows was found wide open, but the front door was closed and bolted.

A Ghastly Sight.

Switching their torches the Police were about to rush upstairs when a ghastly sight confronted them on the staircase. Halfway down the stairs lying on his back with his feet pointing downstairs was the half-dressed blood besmeared body of Mr. Schotel.

He was breathing his last, and was not able to speak. An ambulance was quickly summoned but Mr. Schotel died before the vehicle arrived.

Blood was gushing from a terrible knife wound, which severed part of the neck and the left jaw bone. A broken oil lamp was found a few feet from Mr. Schotel's head. There were bloodstains on the bed and all over the floor leading to the staircase.

The wooden partition was also bespattered with blood. A large sharp bloodstained knife was found in front of the open window downstairs and suggested how the murderer made his escape.

A Mystery.

At present the murder is a mystery. Apparently nobody saw the murderer enter or leave the house. The knife is the only clue the Police possess. The blood-stained bed and the fact that Mr. Schotel was wearing a singlet and a sarong and the hour of the night suggest that the victim was asleep when attacked.

Besides the wound on the neck, Mr. Schotel's left index finger was almost severed. He probably sustained it in attempting to ward off a blow.

He was probably running for help after the attack when he collapsed on the staircase. Mr. Schotel was fifty-five years old and a fairly heavy man. As far as can be ascertained no cash or valuables are missing and none of the trunks was opened.

AUTOGYRO.

ADOPTED BY THE U.S.A. NAVY DEPARTMENT.

A new era has dawned upon military aviation in the United States with the swiftness of the fastest aeroplane.

Both the Army Air Corps and Navy Bureau of Aeronautics suddenly have begun developing with radically designed aircraft.

The Navy has ordered two of these freakish autogyros—the planes which look like a windmill and land almost on a half-crown.

It is also considering buying several of Travelair Mystery "go" ships, which Capt. Frank Hawks and Mr. "Jimmy" Doolittle have made so famous.

While the plans of the Army Air Corps, with regard to aviation's latest inventions, have not definitely been disclosed, it is known that for the past few months its fliers have been experimenting with low wing monoplane capable of a speed exceeding 250 miles an hour.

First New Invention.
Assistant Navy Secretary for Air Ingalls, in announcing the plan to buy the autogyros, characterised the planes as "the first real invention in aeronautics since the Wright Brothers flew their first plane."

He and a group of Aeronautics Bureau officials, including Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, the chief, inspected Capt. Hawks' plane here recently. In company with Mr. Burdette Wright, vice-president of the Curtiss-Wright, they went over the Travelair Mystery with a fine tooth comb, to see what made it click.

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PEKING LIBEL.

SUIT FOLLOWS REPORT OF DIVORCE.

LADY COMPLAINANT.

Peking, January 7. Mr. J. C. Sun, editor of the Kuo Wen English service, appeared before the procurator of the Peking District Court on Tuesday afternoon when he was examined in connection with the charges of criminal libel preferred against him by Miss Hsu Chung-ching, divorced wife of Mr. Wu Lai-hsi.

The examination lasted less than 10 minutes during which Mr. Sun answered questions about his name, occupation and address. The accused submitted a Chinese translation of the English report on the basis of which the complainant filed her petition for criminal libel. The report in question, which appeared in the Kuo Wen English service for December 16, reads as follows:

"Peking, December 16: An advertisement in last Sunday's Shih Chieh Jih Pao announces the settlement out of court of Mr. Wu Lai-hsi's divorce case which had been occupying the attention of the courts during the past year.

Mrs. Wu Lai-hsi left her husband and their three children last December and filed a petition in the Court of First Instance, asking for a divorce with the custody of the children and alimony. As she was unable to substantiate any of the charges filed in the petition, she lost the case and was ordered to pay the court costs, whereupon she appealed to the Provincial Higher Court, where the case had been dragging on since last June.

"A settlement has now been effected out of court, and an agreement was signed on Thursday, December 11, providing for a divorce by mutual consent" according to the Ching Dynasty Laws, which are still in force, the three children to remain in the custody of the father but to be allowed once a month to visit their mother who is to resume her maiden name.

"Mr. Wu, who is a Cambridge graduate, was formerly editor of the now defunct Peking Daily News and later the Far Eastern Times. He is an authority on Chinese porcelain and is well known in local foreign circles."

Copies of the English version, the Shih Chieh Wan Pao advertisement referred to as well as the divorce agreement and the judgment which the District Court had delivered against the complainant in the divorce action, also were produced by Mr. Sun as evidence to show that all the facts in the story complained of were correct.

The procurator interrogated Mr. Sun at some length about the statement that "Mrs. Wu Lai-hsi left her husband and three children last December," commenting that a journalist should pay due regard for one's private character. In reply the accused said that the statement was based on fact and was never intended as a reflection on the character of the complainant.

Miss Hsu said that her divorce with Mr. Wu Lai-hsi was a private affair and asked how the accused knew all the facts mentioned in the report. She then demanded that the procurator detain Mr. Sun and order him to pay \$3,000 as damages, saying that "the accused had committed two crimes."

The preliminary hearing was concluded at three o'clock but it was not until half past eight o'clock in the evening that Mr. Sun was allowed to go out to get shop guaranty. During this time Mr. Sun asked for permission to telephone to his family but he was told by the men in charge that this was not allowed. In connection with this it may be mentioned that in a criminal action the accused is required to provide shop guaranty.—Kuo Wen.

The Sin Wan Pao states that all civil cases will in future go through a process of conciliation before going into court.

Mr. Ingalls later announced that such a plane would be a valuable asset to naval aviation and that his department contemplated purchasing a few.

Another recent advancement of naval aviation is along the line of developing a fuel to replace petrol, with this end in view the department has under construction at Akron, a new non-rigid airship, the largest of its kind in the world.

It is expected to be finished within the next six months. Its completion will inaugurate the Navy's first intensive effort towards the development of a substitute for petrol.

Although special emergency petrol tanks will be provided, the new blimp, whenever possible, will be propelled by the new light gas. The fuel is understood to be somewhat similar to the German "blau" gas used so successfully in the Graf Zeppelin.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

A. J. RAPTIS COMMENDED.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

General.
Revolver Practice. There will be no revolver practice at the Kennedy Road Range to-morrow.

Police Training School.
The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual to-day at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company, and of the Flying Squad who have not passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Squad Drill.
All recruits of the Chinese Company, and of the Flying Squad will attend at Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.

Indian Company.
Strength. Constable R255 Sheik Abdullah has been struck off the strength of the Indian Company, as from December 20, 1930.

Flying Squad.
Police Reserve Badge. The following members of the Flying Squad have qualified for the Police Reserve Badge:—

Mr. B. C. Randall, L/S. R301 Choa Hing-ki, Constables R317 Cheng Yew and R304 Lam Chung-mow.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will, place to-day. Fall in at Tsim-tai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company.
Commendation. Constable R419 A. J. Raptis, Sharpshooters' Company, is commended by the Hon. I.G.P. for prompt and fearless action in attacking five men and arresting one Chiu Sang-chun single handed, who was sentenced to six months' hard labour for house breaking.

Rifle Club. A miniature range practice will be held on Thursday, at 5.15 p.m. Instruction in rifle holding and aiming will be given by Crown Sergeant R407 W. V. Field.

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HEIAN MARU	Thursday, 28th February.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.	Saturday, 24th January.
KATORI MARU	Saturday, 24th January.
KASHIMA MARU	Saturday, 24th January.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Thursday, 22nd January.
KAMO MARU	Thursday, 10th February.
KITANO MARU	Thursday, 10th February.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Tuesday, 27th January.
TOTTORI MARU	Friday, 30th January.
YAMAGATA MARU	Friday, 30th January.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Sunday, 1st February.
GINYO MARU	Sunday, 1st February.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Thursday, 26th February.
KAWACHI MARU	Thursday, 26th February.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	Friday, 6th February.
TATAGO MARU	Friday, 6th February.
TAKETOYO MARU	Sunday, 1st March.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stambul (Constantinople), Genoa.	Sunday, 15th February.
DELAGATA MARU	Sunday, 15th February.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Thursday, 29th January.
RANGON MARU	Thursday, 29th January.
NAGATO MARU	Saturday, 7th February.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA.	Saturday, 24th February.
HAKONE MARU	Wednesday, 28th January.
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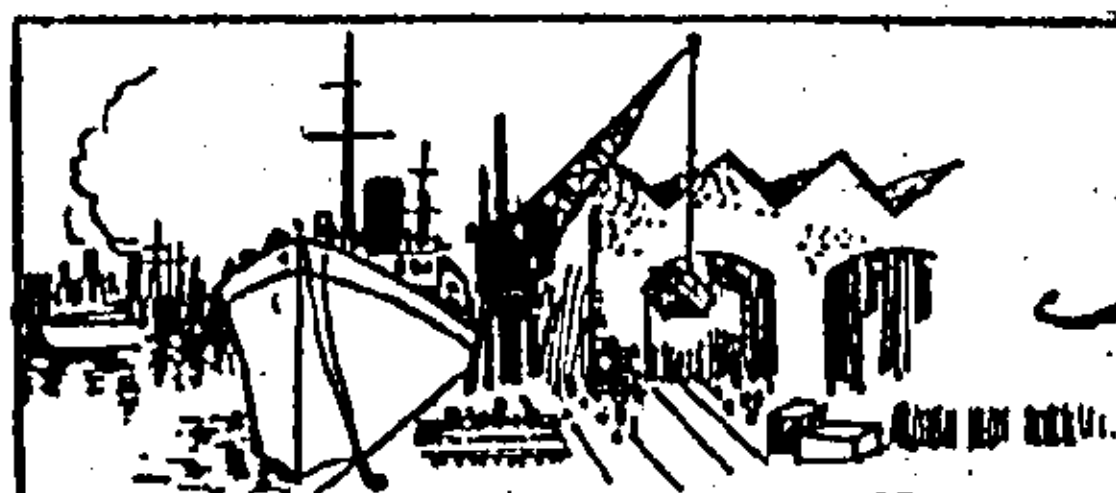
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AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND via Manila & Rangoon.	Melbourne Maru	Wed., 4th Feb.
CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.	Himalaya Maru	Tues., 20th Jan.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	Seattle Maru	Sunday, 1st Feb.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Africa Maru (From Shanghai)	Sat., 24th Jan.
JAPAN PORTS (Freight Service).	Sanyo Maru	Sat., 7th Feb.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Pakhol (Fortnightly).	Tacoma Maru	Sun., 25th Jan.
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (Every Sunday Noon).	Menado Maru	Thurs., 22nd Jan.
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).	Hezan Maru	Sun., 26th Jan.
	Canton Maru	Sun., 1st Feb.
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Shipping Intelligence.

RISKS OF SEA TRAVEL.

Fog Blanketed Navigation.

REDUCING DANGER.

A "Fog Eye" is the latest instrument invented for fog blanketed marine navigators, and it is hoped that ultimately it will also aid air pilots.

It is claimed that it will reduce to disappearing point the danger of collisions at sea, and will also add to the facility of a ship for picking out signals blotted out by fog. It is due to the patient investigations of Mr. Paul Humphrey MacNeil, an architect of Huntingdon, Long Island, that this new device is to be available.

The apparatus consists of two sets of instruments which may be compared with modern radio broadcasting units, one a receiver or detector, the other a projector. The projector throws out directional beams of infra red rays—the invisible rays of light—and the other catches or records them, just as a radio receiver in the home picks music and speech out of the air.

Amplifying Relays.
The detector element (it is explained in the New York Times) while similar in principle to the delicate thermocouples used by astronomers in the measurement of the radiation of heat from distant stars, is placed in a vacuum and the infra-red rays are received through a window of fluorite. The detector thus developed functions in less than a tenth of a second.

Combined with the detector are special amplifying relays, automatic signaling and recording instruments which give a visible and audible record, announcing that the detector has picked up an infra-red beam from one of the projectors.

All ships, lightships, lighthouses, channel buoys and similar units equipped with the projector can warn navigators in befogged areas of their presence, and any ship equipped with the receiving or detecting device can pick up the signal and veer off its course to avoid collision. The infra-red rays will pierce dense fogs that would blanket or smudge the beams of even the most powerful ordinary light beacon.

The greatest accomplishment of the invention, according to Mr. MacNeil, is its ability to give accurate information to fogbound pilots concerning other moving ships or the proximity of dangerous shoals, narrows or other hazards. And the information comes as an automatic warning that the pilot can see and hear. It tells from which direction the warning signal is coming, and by triangulation he can tell exactly where the danger lies.

As the device actuates at definite intervals, Mr. MacNeil adds, it also gives the added information as to whether the source from which the infra-red signals are projected is stationary or moving. In addition the pilot can, by calculation, judge the speed of the warning unit and can regulate his movements accordingly, even though hemmed in by obscuring mist, to avoid collision.

The projector operates somewhat like a telegraph instrument or wireless transmitter in that it sends the infra-red beams in dots and dashes; but it has the added advantage of automatic operation and reduces the dangers inherent in human fallibility. Carefully tended at regular intervals it will always be on the alert in the fog to give its signal of warning.

The dot-and-dash system precludes the possibility of the pilot mistaking the radiations of infra-red rays from an ordinary light source for a message from the "fog eye."

Several Miles Range.
On a test of the invention the experimental projector succeeded in boring its invisible way through 3 miles and one-half of fog bank that had been holding fliers in check over the aerodrome for fear of a collision in mid-air. Mr. MacNeil explained later that he had used his marine set, and that he would have to cut down the size for aerial adaptation.

"The penetration of fog, smoke, haze and other obscuring factors by infra-red radiation has long been known to scientists," he said, "and experiments have been made in the past with the idea of adapting it to navigation. Icebergs and the heat of ships' funnels have been detected in previous experiments, but no way was found to establish distance, to identify the source, or speed of the objects, or to determine whether the objects were fixed or in motion."

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READY INVESTORS.

STOCK EXCHANGE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

London, Nov. 28.

It is a somewhat puzzling fact that the City as the financial centre of gravity is able to attract plenty of spare capital for what are regarded as sound enterprises at the same time as the commercial depression and reduced earnings attendant on it are having a very marked effect in other directions. Recently, it may be recalled, the Government of India loan for £12,000,000 was put on the market and £100,000,000 worth of offers poured in. A London electric railway issue of £3,500,000 reached the stupendous total of £140,000,000 within a few minutes of the opening of the subscription lists, while this week the Central Electricity Board, the huge undertaking created to co-ordinate the working of the existing companies and thereby reduce generating costs, received applications amounting to £85,000,000 in respect of a £6,000,000 issue. The list for subscriptions was open for only fifteen minutes. In the latter case this is all the more extraordinary in view of the fact that the stock will yield only 4½ per cent. while earlier in the year an issue of £7,000,000 by the same Board at 5½ per cent. interest resulted in the underwriters' being saddled with 91 per cent. of it. The plethora of cash resources is evidenced by the fact that eight important issues during the past month or so amounting nominally to £23,500,000 brought forth subscriptions of over £378,000,000. Altogether it is estimated in this notoriously dull year on the Stock Exchange that some £240,000,000 came out of the pockets of the British investors in response to calls for new money to finance developments. The realisation of this state of affairs is having a heartening effect, while another cheering factor has been the prediction this week by Mr. Snowden, who is not exactly credited with being a joyful optimist, but who anticipates a turn for the better in trade, within a year. The year 1931, may well prove to mark a definite turn of the tide.

COLLISION INQUIRY.

Master Who Was Not On The Bridge.

The Amsterdam Court of Navigation have found the master of the steamer Reggestroom to blame for the collision of his ship with the motor liner Johan van Oldenbarnevelt, which took place in the Amsterdam North Sea Canal when the last named ship was proceeding outward on her maiden voyage to Batavia. The Reggestroom is a steamer of 3,854 gross register tons, owned by the Hollandsche Stoomboot Maatschappij, of Amsterdam, and the Johan van Oldenbarnevelt, of 19,040 gross tons, is owned by the Nederland Steamship Co.

The court found that the collision was caused by the Reggestroom, which was inward bound, having passed a tow of mud barges proceeding in the same direction, thereby contravening the regulations, and having got into the wrong side of the fairway. The master of the Reggestroom is blamed for not having been on the bridge while his ship was proceeding up the canal, and having failed to take prompt action to avoid a collision when he came on the bridge.

In view of the difficult circumstances in which the master found himself, the court have, however, refrained from applying a disciplinary sentence.

operation of the "fog eye" depends in great measure on the character of the fog formation or other obscuring factor, and its degree of absorption of the infra-red rays. The tests just concluded have established the fact that the range is several miles, and easily obtained refinements will extend the range. The device is entirely supplementary to all existing navigation instruments, and its operation in no way affects them, nor is affected by them. Even the radio does not interfere with it.

"The development of the 'fog eye' will mean the reduction to a minimum of the danger of collisions between ships at sea, easy avoidance of properly equipped permanent obstructions to navigation, the picking up of lightships, light-houses, channel lights and harbor lights at all times when they are obscured by visibility destroying agencies such as fog and smoke."

WHERE THE MERSEY SCORED.

Fine Achievement at Wallsend.

The launch of H.M.S. Brilliant at Wallsend, as has been reported, complete in every detail "and even with smoke issuing from the funnels," has followed closely upon that of the South African dredger Springbok at Port Glasgow with machinery on board and steam up, and is in some respects a more remarkable achievement, for the fine lines of a destroyer complicate considerably the problem of supporting the extra weight of equipment, whereas the additional supports can be well distributed under the flat bottom of a dredger, says the Journal of Commerce.

Tyne and Clyde may, therefore, justly plume themselves on the successful accomplishment of feats somewhat uncommon in shipyard routine. In justice, however, to the progressive spirit of other shipbuilding centres, it is worth nothing that the exceptional character of these two launches is a matter of scale rather than of principle, for both Thames and Mersey have prior claims upon the attention of shipping historians in this respect.

Other Noteworthy Events.
On Empire Day, 1906, the Thornycroft yard at Chiswick put into the water H.M.S. Gaffly, the first of five "coastal destroyers," with turbines and boilers completely installed; a sufficiently meritorious piece of work to deserve notice, even though these small vessels were not much more than glorified torpedo-boats—and were, in fact, afterwards "dilapidated" to this category, deprived of their names, and given mere numbers instead.

Even the Thames, however, was only following the lead of the Mersey; for on March 8, 1890, Laird Bros. launched at Birkenhead a steam yacht displacing 120 tons more than the Gaffly. This was the Norseman, built for Mr. Samuel R. Platt, a member of the well-known Oldham firm, and chairman of the Manchester Ship Canal Company; a d her state of completion extended to the captain on the bridge, who, when she was safely launched, calmly rang down "Slow ahead" and took her away on trials. In the ordinary way such a proceeding would have been delayed somewhat by the necessity of securing the propeller shaft to prevent the propeller from driving the engines round as the ship took the water; but the Norseman was fitted with a Bevis feathering propeller, which was initially set with the blades ranged fore-and-aft so that there was no tendency to revolve.

Once the vessel was floating freely, the blades were reset to the desired pitch by the gear provided—a matter of moments only—and the trial began. The manner of her launch was not the only claim of the Norseman to distinction. She was designed by St. Clair Byrne, the Liverpool naval architect who designed Brassey's famous Sunbeam, and was a neat little craft 130 feet long by 23 feet beam, with a triple expansion engine—itsself a decided novelty at that time—and Joy's valve gear—another novelty; her single-ended boiler being worked at the "high" pressure of 150 lb. per square inch—nothing remarkable to-day, but very noteworthy in 1890.

Manchester Ship Canal.
Altogether she was a most up-to-date example of the shipbuilder's and marine engine builder's crafts, and not unworthy of the "Himmlight" that shortly came her way; for on New Year's Day, 1894, she had the distinction of heading what a contemporary journal described as the "very modest pageant" which formally opened the Manchester Ship Canal to the traffic of the maritime nations.

It is true that she was not the first vessel to make the complete passage of the canal—that honour fell to the old Wallasey ferry-boat Snowdrop, which conveyed the directors on a private expedition from Liverpool Landing-stage to the Pomona Dock at Manchester three weeks earlier—on December 7, 1893; but the official opening was carried out by the Norseman, and will no doubt be accepted as entitling her to inclusion in the list of the notable ships of Merseyside.

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ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, January 18.

Anhui, British str., 2,080 tons,

Capt. R. Turnbull, from Hol-

how, buoy No. B15—B. & S.

Durban Maru, Japanese str., 4,882

tons, Capt. C. Tanaka, from

Shanghai, buoy No. A5—

N.Y.K.

Hosang, British str., 3,298 tons,

Capt. R. J. J. Sneddon, from

Amoy, buoy No. B22—J. M. &

Co.

Shirak, British str., 3,675 tons,

Capt. A. E. Colver, from Balic-

papan, North Point Wharf—

A.P.C.

Talamba, British str., 3,018 tons,

Capt. G. M. Davies from Kobe,

buoy No. A1—M. M. & Co.

Tijikarang, Dutch str., 6,064 tons,

Capt. P. Hopman from Amoy,

buoy No. A8—J.C.J.L.

Monday, January 19.

Automedon, British str., 4,781 tons,

Capt. B. Cubley, from Singa-

pore, Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Chenan, British str., 1,355 tons,

Capt. J. Newton, from Canton,

buoy No. B8—B. & S.

City of Wellington, British str.,

3,629 tons, Capt. H. Spencer,

from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.

—Bank Line.

Glengarry, British m.s., 9,548 tons,

Capt. J. Angler, from Singa-

pore, Kowloon Wharf—J. M. &

Co.

Himalaya Maru, Japanese str.,

5,228 tons, Capt. S. Tabata,

from Moji, Kowloon Wharf—

O.S.K.

Hupei, British str., 1,205 tons,

Capt. J. W. Jenkins, from Can-

ton, buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Kazembe, British str., 2,938 tons,

Capt. P. A. Ring, from Shang-

hai, buoy No. A3—Bank Line.

Kwaisang, British str., 1,435 tons,

Capt. M. Costello, from Can-

ton, buoy No. B1—J. M. & Co.

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tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from

Swatow, buoy No. C8—N.Y.K.

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*KHYBER	9,114	14th Mar.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
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RAWALPINDI	16,619	28th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*KARMALA	9,128	11th Apr.	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
RAJPUTANA	16,668	25th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*KALYAN	9,144	9th May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
COMORIN	15,132	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHMIR	8,985	6th June	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
KANPURA	16,601	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHGAR	9,005	4th July	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KHYBER	9,114	1st Aug.	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
RAJPUTANA	16,668	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KARMALA	9,128	29th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
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*ALIPORE	5,273	1st Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
TAKADA	6,949	6th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TANDA	6,956	14th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	14th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	10,000	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	6th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KARMALA	9,128	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	16,668	27th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	10th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
COMORIN	15,132	24th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	8,985	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,956	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KANPURA	16,601	22nd May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	19th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	3rd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	16,668	17th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Mr. Donald Chadduck, Far East-
ern representative of the Carter's
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Kong.

Mr. William I. Cowan of the
Asiatic Petroleum Co., returning to
Hong Kong from a business trip to
Manila.

Mr. Frank M. Gibson, Manager
of the Bethlehem Steel Corp. in
the Far East.

Mr. R. Hernandez, Manager of
Rama Bros. Silk Merchants of
Hilo, on business trip to Hong
Kong.

Major-General John L. Hines,
Commanding General of the Philip-
pine Department, U. S. Army in the
Philippines. The General is ac-
companied by his two aides, Capt.
Cleland and Lieut. Hines Junr., as
far as Hong Kong where they will
proceed to French Indo-China to
review French troop manoeuvres.

Mr. Francisco A. Lopez, State
Manager, Philippine Department of
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January 20 to 26, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Jan.	Standard Time	Standard Time
Tues. 20	10 05 a.m.	5 58 p.m.
Wed. 21	9 44 a.m.	5 36 p.m.
Thurs. 22	9 23 a.m.	5 14 p.m.
Fri. 23	9 02 a.m.	4 52 p.m.
Sat. 24	8 41 a.m.	4 30 p.m.
Sun. 25	8 20 a.m.	4 08 p.m.
Mon. 26	7 59 a.m.	3 46 p.m.

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Courtney, Mr. J. W. Cowan, Mr.
Frank K. Gibson, Mr. G. J. Gid-
wain, Mr. Samuel W. Greene, Mrs.
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M. Greene, Mr. Jose Gucco, Mr. B.
Hernandez, Miss Hazel E. Hess,
Major General John L. Hines, Lt.
John L. Hines Junr., Mr. E. Hop-
kinson, Mrs. Edith M. Hoyt, Miss
Louise Hoyt, Mrs. Haywood H.
Hunter, Mr. John A. Hyndman,
Mr. Francisco A. Lopez, Mr.
Vicente C. Mendoza, Mr. Herbert
C. Millatt, Mr. Sakol Sam Sen, Mr.
E. V. Tarantian, Mr. Rafael Ver-
ches, Mr. Percy W. Ward, Miss
Martha M. Waterhouse, Mrs.
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Mrs. Umeyu, Mr. T. Tait, Mr.
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rison, Mr. H. Reabill, Miss Olive
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Mrs. Fukuyama, and a child, Mr.
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Mrs. J. B. Van Norman, Mr. F. A.
Lopez, Mr. V. Mendoza, Mr. L. Con-
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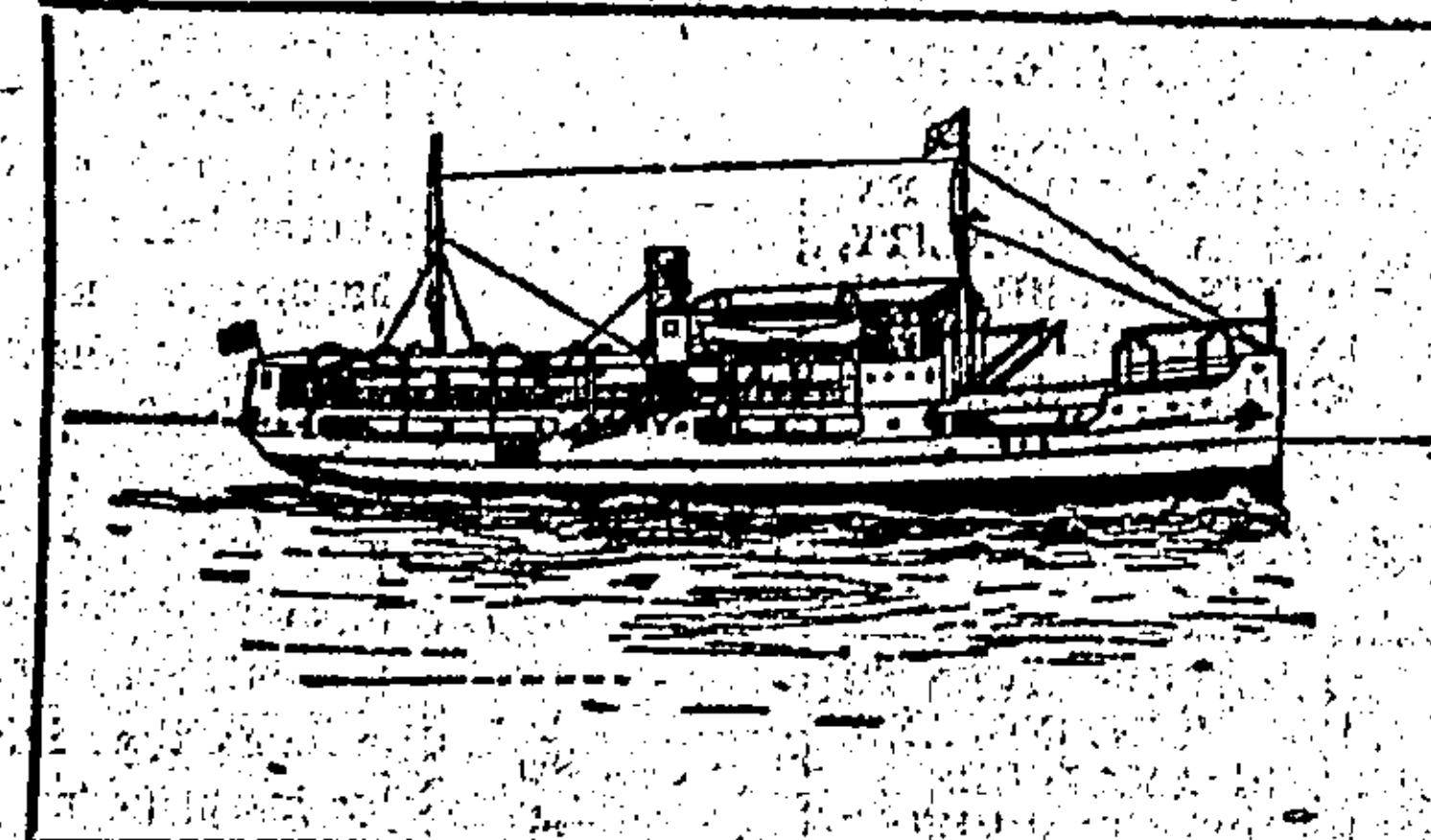
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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hirst and family wish to express their sincere and heartfelt thanks to all friends for the letters of condolence, floral tributes, and attendance at the funeral, in their recent sad bereavement.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1931.

TRUTH ABOUT INDIA

Now that the Indian Round Table Conference has ended and the Prime Minister has expatiated on the statement of the British Government, all would appear to be plain sailing. Yet we are inclined to feel dubious and are not a little vague concerning the off-spring that these haranguing gentlemen have laboured to bring forth. The tumult and the shouting have died and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has waited his customary olive branch in a smug gesture of valedictory; the aristocrats and the merchants of India have dined and wined at the best hotels, and depart from Albion's shores less argumentative, perhaps, more mellow, and conciliatory—yet, what is the apotheosis of all this?

The delegates to the Conference were not India; not even, it must be admitted, adequate representatives of the clamouring millions that inhabit it. Elected by insignificant bodies of politicians and men of commerce, with a sprinkling of labour interests, they do not fairly represent a tenth of the voice of the peoples—that shrill, incessant voice of the parvenu, the peasant, and the fanatic whom Gandhi, that inscrutable idealist, stirred from its bovine slumber to a restlessness that has proved angrier and more

insatiable than the fury of a wasp's nest, produced and goaded out of the lull of domestic lassitude.

It is a false peace, we are assured, like the deadly quiet of a tropical storm that threatens to return, and the cloud that began as the size of a man's hand, now as big as India herself, looms menacingly behind the placid edicts and obscure reports that have emerged from the innumerable sub-committees and meetings of the Plenary Session.

The institution of Dominion Status and of two Chambers of the Federal Legislature have altered the situation very slightly; India has obtained no more than she expected from the Conference, and Great Britain has given no more than she intended or could possibly help. Mr. MacDonald's laudable attempts to solve the Hindu-Muslim differences by "discussions" have ostensibly achieved their object—for the purpose of concluding the Conference pacifically, at least. But Mr. MacDonald and his ilk have a fundamental misconception of the character of Eastern peoples, and he cannot be made to realise that the methods of a warm-hearted evangelist hardly suffice to piece together the scattered mosaic of tribal and caste enmity which has not for centuries, and possibly never shall, attain full harmony.

With tears in his eyes, he joins together the hands of political adversaries, flatters and pacifies them with promises, and is hurt if they mischievously resist his ministrations. Let us consider this question of a Federal Legislature, and whether it can possibly work in a land of such primitive and passionate elements as compose India. The populations of the States is about twenty-five per cent. and the area nearly forty per cent. of all India. Thus on a population and area basis the States may be regarded as entitled to one-third of the seats in the Federal Legislature. But on the ground of their history and their surrender of sovereign status they are inclined to claim something more than one-third of the seats in the Lower House, and half the seats in the Upper. British India, on the other hand, can argue that if wealth and education are taken into account the States should get less, not more, than one-third of the seats. Then, again, there is the question of the number of voters that should now be admitted to the provincial franchise, which His Majesty's Government feels should be enlarged. At present

less than three per cent. of the total population, or, in other words, about ten per cent. of the adult males, are enfranchised. The Simon Commission proposed to treble the number of voters by enfranchising about ten per cent. of the total population, male and female. In the Franchise Sub-Committee all manner of views were aired. Representatives of labour and the depressed classes demanded adult suffrage, which would mean an electoral roll of over 100,000,000 voters, over ninety per cent. of them illiterate; others suggested forms of indirect election through groups of villagers.

The most significant thing about the proceedings was the marked unwillingness of the sub-committee to make up its mind and take responsibility for any definite recommendation on the point. The truth is, of course, that no man can have the least idea of what results any considerable extension of the franchise will produce. Probably it will make very little difference. The present restricted electorate only vaguely understands what the election is all about.

The truth remains that the greater part of the population of India is illiterate, yet is vaguely, and as fanatically, determined to carve a separate existence for itself out of the strange mixture of barbarism and civilisation which at present obtains.

In spite of the well-meaning abjurations of the Viceroy to Gandhi to cease his verbal incandourism and not "to stain the fair name of India"—whatever that may mean—the cancer remains as ebullient as ever. Had the right men been in power at the right time, the need of a Conference might not have arisen, and the hand that conquered India would have continued to rule her with that firm, unsentimental but just assurance which seem no longer of characterise our Imperial diplomacy. But to regard our Empire possessions both with the type of the philosopher and that of the patriot, gloomily aware of our shortcomings, is a conundrum worthy of the Sphinx.

News in Brief.

Judge Samuel S. Greene, of Australia, arrived here with his wife and daughter by the s.s. President Pierce. He is giving a lecture on Christian Science to-night.

At the P.W.D. land sale yesterday, New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1444 at Ngautaukok consisting of 8,400 square feet was sold at the upset price of \$512 to Mr. W. Fox, on behalf of Mr. Tsang Yuting, of 36 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith are providing the programme at the Helena May Institute concert on Thursday, with Mr. C. Dudley Bartlett as accompanist. Mrs. Bowes-Smith will be heard in two groups of English and German songs, whilst her husband will make three appearances at the piano.

Mr. C. S. Kwok, principal of Chun-Shing Typewriting School, 8 Old Bailey Street, has arranged an international competition in typewriting for April 1. The supervisors will be the Director of Education, and Mr. MacKnight, Manager of Mustard & Co., Ltd. The examiner will be Mr. C. S. Kwok. Prizes will be given.

Lam Ping, master of an unnumbered fishing junk, has reported to the Police that whilst he was sailing in the vicinity of Swatow about 8 p.m. on January 17, his junk was run into by the s.s. Hui Chow, and struck amidships. The craft splashed, and fortunately, there were no casualties. Five members of the crew were brought to Hong Kong on the Hui Chow.

After an absence lasting half-an-hour yesterday afternoon, the jury, which sat with the Acting Police Judge (Mr. Justice P. Jackson) to try a Chinese named Wan Lin-yau on a charge of alleged robbery on board a sampan, in the Yau-mat Typhoon Shelter, on the night of October 29, 1928, decided to give the accused the benefit of the doubt and returned a verdict of "not guilty." In discharging the accused his Lordship administered a warning as to his future conduct.

Kwok On-cho, a Chinese, was this morning charged at the Kowloon Magistracy with stealing a serge jacket and a cotton jacket from No. 60, Parkes Street, the property of Ma Fuk, a shoemaker. Sentence of one month's imprisonment was imposed.

For having unlawful possession of 40 cattles of brass at Reclamation Street yesterday, Ng Kau, a Chinese, was fined \$25 or three weeks' imprisonment. Defendant stated he had been engaged to carry the brass by a marine hawk who he did not know.

The case against Kwan Chuei who was charged with having in his possession 604 lb. of dutiable tobacco at No. 133, Portland Street, on December 4 and 8½ lb. at 395, Shanghai Street on the same date, ended at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when Mr. Butters imposed a fine of \$2,500, or six months imprisonment on the first charge, and discharged him on the second.

TWO WEDDINGS.

CEREMONIES AT THE PEAK CHURCH.

BERG—O'KANE.

There was a pretty wedding at the Peak Church yesterday, when Miss Tui O'Kane, daughter of Mrs. E. M. O'Kane, Park Lane Mansions, Sydney, was married to Mr. Sverre Osmond Berg.

The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave solemnised the wedding, and the bride was attended by Miss June Ralston. The bride's mother attended, and afterwards received the guests at the residence of Mrs. James Ralston, kindly lent for the occasion. Mr. R. Johannesen acted as groomsmen.

Later, the happy couple left for Fanling, where the honeymoon will be spent.

Sleep—Dakin.

The wedding was quietly solemnised yesterday at the Peak Church of Mr. Sidney Alfred Sleep, of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, third son of Mr. T. A. Sleep, Stamford Hill, London, and Miss Winifred Edna Dakin, nursing sister at the Kowloon Hospital, and youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Dakin, Sutton Bridge, Lincolnshire, England.

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Washington, Yesterday. President Hoover has appointed a committee of 57 members, headed by ex-President Coolidge and the former Presidential candidates, Messrs. Al Smith and Davis, to assist the Red Cross to raise \$10,000,000 to relieve the sufferers in the drought-stricken areas. Reuter's American Service.

THREE FIRES IN KOWLOON.

No less than three calls were received at Tsim Sha Tsui Fire Brigade Station since yesterday afternoon. Three appliances were sent to Kowloon Chai at 3 p.m. yesterday when a wooden hut used as a dwelling was burnt out. Less than two hours later a three storey house in Austin Road was on fire and in spite of three fire engines and a fire float, the second and third floors were severely damaged, and the roof burnt off. The damage is estimated at about \$1,400.

About 3.50 a.m. this morning a call was received from a house in Lai-chikok Road, Shamshuipo, when another three storey house was severely damaged. The ground floor, used as a shoemaker's shop, was gutted and the first floor badly burned. Four appliances were in attendance.

That Shanghai has still much to be thankful for is evidenced in the announcements published in the Straits Times extending over three columns of persons seeking employment as a result of the prevailing slump.

sing it! After that, she gave her audience further pleasure by her beautiful singing of the "Lost Chord."

Demand for More. Still the audience demanded more, and succeeded in gaining a charming duet "Love has come to Stay"—and then to the complete and absolute delight of everybody this was followed by the ever-popular "Keys of Heaven." Scenes of enthusiasm (such as this) are indeed rare in Hong Kong and although Dame Clara Butt has had so many triumphs that she is scarcely likely to remember her concerts here—yet we feel sure that those who were present last night, and on Saturday will remember her wonderful singing, her magnetic personality, and her gracious charm, for many a long day.

—ACWO.

CLARA BUTT AT THE CITY HALL.

Audience Thrilled by Her Singing.

OLD FAVOURITES.

There was another large and appreciative audience and H.E. The Governor and Lady Peel were again present at the final concert given by Dame Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rumford at the Theatre Royal last night.

The programme commenced by three piano solos from Miss Cicely Murray, and while we have nothing but praise for her as an accompanist (when her delicate touch is a delight, and her sympathy and support unfailing) we cannot say the same of her as a soloist. She seemed to hurry through each piece as if her one idea was to get to the end—which was a pity since she has all the attributes of a pianist, except the courage to make the most of her opportunities! Chopin's "Scherzo" was a scramble! The "Chant du Voyageur" (Marionette Show) by Goossens did she allow her fancy free play and the audience showed instant appreciation of this by their applause.

Magnetic Personality.

Once again Dame Clara Butt came to dazzle us by her vivid and magnetic personality.—this time in a dress of silver-tissue gleaming with opalescent hues of peach and coral. The great singer was obviously handicapped by a severe cold (for which Hong Kong's treacherous winds can be blamed) but though she was not in such marvellous voice as on Saturday last, neither cough, sore-throat nor any other handicap can mar her beautiful diction, her artistic interpretation and her wonderful sense of climax. She gave only two songs in her first group "Creations Hymn" (Beethoven) and "Der Wanderer" (Schubert) and for an encore she delighted her audience by a very beautiful rendering of that deathless song of love and passion "Mon Coeur S'ouvre a ta voix."

A Quaint Song.

Mr. Kennerley Rumford gave songs very different in character from those of the first concert "Silent Noon" (Vaughan-Williams) "The Vagabond" (John Ireland) and a quaint and unusual little song called "The Joccin Dance" by Walford Davies completed his 1st group. In the second half, he gave us "Sands of Dee", "The Rejected Lover" (—an English Folk Song charmingly arranged by Cecil Sharp) and Valerie White's vigorous "King Charles." For an encore he delighted his audience with that favourite old "Chanty" "Billy Boy" and in response to yet more applause he sang that tender little song "The Gentle Maiden" with a sympathy, smoothness, and purity of tone which gained warm applause.

Sea Shanty.

Once again Dame Clara Butt ended the programme by four songs each more lovely than the previous one. "Shenandoah", which haunts with its wistful plaintive refrain, was followed by "Were You There"—most tragic of all Burleigh's Negro Spirituals and one which only a very great artist dare attempt! It carries in its mournful cadences all the agony, the horror, and the sadness of a Negro's simple soul. Desolate, yet beautiful, it is a song we shall remember!

An Old Favourite.

After this Dame Clara charmed away our melancholy by Leonie's dainty and delicate "Leaves and the Wind," a song with a lilt at the end which won such applause that it had to be repeated. Lastly came that old favourite "The Three Fishers", which though it ended the programme, by no means ended the concert since the audience by their vigorous and determined applause elicited many an encore before they would allow the Prima Donna to say good-bye. "Trees" by Rachbach merrily whetted their appetite more, and Dame Clara on returning to the platform took us into her confidence by confessing that she had received so many requests that she scarcely knew which song to choose! Voices from every part of the hall were instantly heard demanding "Abide With Me," "The Lost Chord," "Deep River" etc., etc., until the singer finally remarked in her deep low voice "Well, I think 'Abide With Me' has it" and accordingly sang Dr. Liddell's song as only she can (Continued at foot of preceding column.)

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of January 20, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/11 3/16.

Preparations are now being made to hold an Industrial Exhibition in Nanking, next March, says the Chinese Press.

BABY'S BODY FOUND IN PUBLIC GARDENS.

Death Said to Be Due to
Strangulation.

TAPE ROUND ITS NECK.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. R. E. Linsell held a Coroner's inquiry at the Central Magistracy in connection with the finding of the body of a Chinese baby in the Public Gardens on November 14, 1930.

Employees of the gardens gave evidence to the effect that on the afternoon of November 14 a parcel, from which the leg of a baby was protruding, was picked up under a bush in the gardens near the gate by Albany Road. The Central Police Station was notified and in due course the body was removed by the Sanitary Department and was taken to the Mortuary.

Dr. A. V. Grieves, giving evidence, stated that on November 15 last he found the bodies of two Chinese babies in the Mortuary. These were numbered 3 and 4. No. 3 was a few days old and No. 4 was newly-born.

A post-mortem on the body of the newly-born infant showed that it died from asphyxia due to strangulation. The witness discovered a strip of print cloth about one and a half inches wide and about fifteen inches long, securely tied round the infant's neck. The doctor added that he was satisfied that the child was not still-born, and said that in his opinion, the baby must have been dead 36 hours.

No Special Report.

Witness added that he made a report of his discovery to the C.I.D. through the ordinary routine and made no special report about it.

In reply to the Coroner, Dr. Grieves said that he realised now he should have made a special report of the strangulation to the C.I.D. but it did not occur to him at the time. In answer to another question by the Coroner, witness said that the strip of cotton which was



"Stand up to it! Can't you see I'm waiting for my shaving water?"—Bulletin, Sydney.

ried round the neck of the child had not been preserved.

In answer to a question by Mr. P. P. J. Woodhouse (D.S.P.), who was present in Court, witness said that there were two attendants at the Mortuary. The body of the baby was admitted by the father of the No. 1 attendant, who was not a Government employee. The No. 1 attendant had obtained leave that day to attend his mother-in-law's funeral, but the No. 2 attendant should have been there.

The inquiry will be continued this afternoon.

DROWNING VICTIM.

BODY OF PTE J. MARSHALL
LAID TO REST.

ARGYLLS AT FUNERAL.

The body of Private John Marshall of the Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, was interred in the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday, the burial rites being performed by the Rev. J. J. O'Brien, C.F., following a short service in the Chapel.

"D" Company of the Argylls attended at full strength and there were also representatives of other companies, as well as the South Wales Borderers, the R.A., and the Hong Kong V.D. Corps (represented by Mr. D. L. Strellett).

Firing Party.

Captain R. G. Moir, D.S.O., M.C. (Company Commander), Captain Carmichael, and Lieutenant Bramwell were present at the graveside, and the Pipe Band of the Argylls played "Flowers of the Forest." A firing party also attended, and "Last Post" and "Reveille" were sounded by the bagpipers.

Wreaths were sent from:—General Officers, Commanding and Staff, Headquarters, China Command; His Pale of 14th Battalion and B.A.T. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders; Company Commander, Capt. R. G. Moir, D.S.O., M.C.; Officers, N.C.O.s and men, "D" Co., 2nd B.A.T. A. & S.H.; Officers, 3rd Highlanders; Officers and other ranks, Royal Artillery; All ranks, "C" Co., 3rd Highlanders; Officers and men, Machine Gun Co., H.K.V.D.C.; European Police Officers; Shanghai Police; Chairman and Committee, Overseas Club.

LATE MR. FULCHER.

LARGE NUMBER OF FRIENDS
AT THE FUNERAL.

BEAUTIFUL WREATHS.

The funeral of Mr. C. A. Fulcher took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday, in the presence of a large number of people. The Rev. Edward A. Armstrong, B.A., officiated at the graveside.

Among those present were:—Messrs. G. C. Moxon, A. Nissim, G. H. Potts, G. P. Lammert, N. V. A. Croucher, J. Gould, H. Seth, H. R. L. Dowbiggin, E. M. Raymond, G. A. Harriman, Col. T. A. Robertson, H. H. Carroll, P. C. Potts, Dr. F. H. Lewis, Messrs. R. M. Omar, F. M. Ellis, C. U. da Roza, Sen. Kon-chi, R. Abraham and many others.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—

"His Sorrowing Sister, Cicely," Sheila, "God Bless You, A.W.C.," Smith and Cam, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moxon, A. Nissim, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Croucher, Lt. Col. T. A. Robertson, A. F. Howard and L. W. Summers, Dr. J. Dowling, S. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. G. U. da Roza, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. S. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith, Sir E. Gibson-Craig, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dugan, Miss Lily Wong, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bea, Miss E. B. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brosted, E. G. Renton, B. C. Randall, T. S. Herdridge, Mr. and Mrs. H. Birkett, J. A. Fisher, Leo d'Almeida, C. Castro, G. Gomez, G. H. Potts, Sen. Kon-chi, Capt. P. W. Grieson, Major Adams, R. Sheephanks, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Omar, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gould, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mrs. E. O. Murphy and Miss M. Kirkwood, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond, Wong Man-wei, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harriman, J. L. Litten, Poon Chung-1, Miss F. A. Cousins, Mr. P. C. Potts, L. J. Cave, G. M. Hensworth, James Ng, C. C. Castro, L. Dunbar and W. T. Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seth, L. J. N. Silva, Shi Yu-yun, and A. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hyde Lay, Leo and M. Weil.

Staff, Moxon & Taylor, H.K. Stock Exchange, Committee and Members for the Hong Kong Club, Percy Smith, Smith & Fleming, Ellis & Edger, Smith Bell & Co. (Manila), H.K. Shareholders' Association, Wright & Co., P. X. Silva & Co., Fred Kew & Co., Johnson, Stokes & Master, Li Fun Kee.

ARM IN MACHINE.

KOWLOON BOY SUSTAINS
SEVERE INJURIES.

Robert Vincent, aged eight years, son of Lance-Corporal Vincent of the South Wales Borderers, was the victim of an accident in Kowloon yesterday afternoon, as a result of which he is now lying in the Kowloon Hospital in a critical condition.

According to Police reports, the child was with a number of other children playing round a Public Works Department motor roller being used in the construction of a road near Wing Lok Buildings.

The police have been unable to discover exactly how the child came to have his arm caught in the machine, but according to the driver, he was in reverse gear when he heard screams, and stopping immediately, discovered that the boy's right arm was imprisoned. Great difficulty was experienced in extricating it.

The limb was severely lacerated to the shoulder, and the child was taken to the hospital, where an operation was immediately performed.

TUNG WAH HOSPITAL.

Directors' Meeting Held On
Sunday.

At a meeting of the 1931 Board of Directors controlling the affairs of the Tung Wah Hospital, Tung Wah Eastern Branch Hospital, and Kwong Wah Hospital, held at the Tung Wah Hospital on Sunday, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, of the China Motor Bus Co., was elected Chairman of the Board for the current year. Messrs. W. N. Thomas Tam and Chan Lim-pak, ex-Chairman of the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Superintendent of the Nanyang Tobacco Co., were elected Vice-Chairmen. Those taking part in the election included 26 newly-elected Directors and the resigning 1930 Directors, the Chairman of whom was Mr. Leung Pat-yu.

CHIEF MATE OF VAN CLOON
KILLED.

Batavia, Jan. 5. On Tuesday morning the chief mate of the K.P.M. steamer Van Cloon was stabbed with a knife by a native sailor to whom the officer made some remarks regarding his work. The fourth officer, who ran to the rescue, was also stabbed in the abdomen and the arm. The native immediately went to the captain, handed him his knife and told him what he had done. The mate was carried to hospital where he died on New Year's Eve.

TELEGRAMS TO SHANGHAI.

We are informed both by the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Hong Kong, that normal working with Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

JAVA TRAGEDY.

RUBBER ESTATE MANAGER
KILLED BY TIGER.

SECOND VICTIM.

Batavia, January 5. Last Saturday the manager of a rubber estate in West Java was killed by a tiger. It appears that Mr. De Nys-bik on Saturday morning went on a shooting trip but only carried a small calibre gun as it was his intention to shoot birds, writes the "Free Press" correspondent. Between two kampongs he saw a crowd of natives and learned from them that a Javanese had just been attacked and killed by a huge tiger. According to the description this man had almost been torn to pieces by the animal. That was why the natives had gathered in crowds as they were afraid that the animal would attack again if he saw one of them isolated.

Mr. De Nys-bik did not believe the story as he had never heard of tigers in this neighbourhood, being of the opinion that it had been a panther which was quite frequently seen in this part of Java. Being a hunter he would not miss the chance to kill a panther and so went in the direction indicated by the Javanese as the one taken by the tiger. He had just entered the undergrowth when the beast appeared and jumped at him, wounding him severely with one lash of its huge claws on his head. The wounded man was carried unconscious to hospital, where he died on Sunday morning. Mr. De Nys-bik was 34 years of age and left three very young children. Later on the tiger was killed by the police; it was a splendid specimen measuring over ten feet.

GOLD PROBLEM.

BANKS TO EXCHANGE GOLD
DEPOSITS ABROAD?

WORLD BANK SCHEMES.

Basle, Yesterday. A meeting of the Board of the Bank of International Settlements to-day decided to gather all information possible regarding the conditions in which gold is bought by various central banks, and will ask those of the latter having gold deposits abroad to state whether they are prepared to exchange them for gold lodged in its strongroom.—Reuter.

DUTCH TIN-MINING IN SIAM.

Several years ago the Holland-Siam Mining Co. was founded in Java. The company held some concessions in Siam which were supposed to be very rich and easy to work. After some time however the capital was swallowed by the initial costs and new capital was issued. The story of the richness of these possessions had spread so far that a rate of issue of 200 could easily be obtained. Shortly afterwards it became known that bad luck, purchase of unsuitable machinery and bad management, had also absorbed the fresh capital and the shares dropped constantly. The managing-director has left for Holland to secure new funds but it is said he has so far failed to do so. He has not returned as yet. Now it is alleged that the concessions are not even properly sanctioned and registered by the Siamese Government. Moreover, parts of the new machinery have been stolen while the Siamese Government is said to have seized all that belonged to the company in payment of outstanding debts, among other things for labour wages.

SILENT WITNESS JAILED.

William McDonald who refused to give evidence in a murder trial at Pictou, Nova Scotia, against a friend, after he himself had been acquitted of the same charge, was to-day sentenced to two years' imprisonment for contempt of court. McDonald's friend was acquitted of the murder charge.

A new dramatic club has just been opened in Shanghai which is being enthusiastically supported by 48 members of Shanghai younger social set; under the capable leadership of Mrs. Beryl Drysdale. The first production will be staged about the end of January, consisting of three one act plays for the A.W.C. at the end of February the Club will produce "The Seven Keys to Baldpate." Later productions will include "Ann," "Where the Rainbow Ends," "The Middle Watch," "Monsieur Beaucaire," and a play of Shakespeare, as well as a musical comedy. Young people wishing to join the club may do so by sending their names to Mrs. Drysdale, subject to being passed by the balloting committee.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.
To-night—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.
To-morrow—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre.
"One Mad Kiss."
To-day—Central Theatre.
"The Delightful Rogue."
To-day—World Theatre.
"Love and Duty" (Chinese drama).
To-day—Star Theatre.
"The Frozen River."

Home Malls

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (General Metzinger).

Sports.

See Diary on page 9.

Meetings.

To-day—Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.

February 10—H. K. Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., ordinary meeting, Messrs Jardine Matheson's Offices, 12.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—Lecture on "Christian Science" by Judge S. W. Greene, C.S.B., City Hall, 5.45 p.m.

To-morrow—Canonian Institute prize distribution, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday—Song and Piano Recital at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Friday—Yau-mat School prize distribution 11 a.m.

Decisive Stage in the History of India.

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the Minorities had been much narrowed. Mr. MacDonald eulogised the Princes for their magnificent part in making a constitution based on federation possible.

Facing the Problems. Mr. MacDonald proceeded to review the labour of the various sub-committees which the Government proposed immediately to study very carefully in order to face the problems they represented.

Referring to the plea of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, regarding an amnesty, with which he expressed sympathy, he said that if Sir Tej Sapru's appeal to India was responded to and civil quiet was proclaimed, he was assured that the Government would certainly not be backward in responding to the plea, which so many of his colleagues endorsed.

Mr. MacDonald also endorsed Lord Peel's remark that the British constitutional machinery was not to be regarded as the only successful plant. The types and methods of various parts of the world would be further studied. Mr. MacDonald quoted the instance of Japan, where, he said, there was a type of very great interest, especially in some of its aspects, if not in all. Some conditions attached to the working of the constitution had been practically agreed by the Conference, but he pointed out that many important outstanding matters, including the problems of the communities, and the various details of safeguarding this work, must not be left to the bureaucracy of either country.

He hoped that the British Parliamentary Parties would continue their co-operation in further negotiations and explorations, and appealed for the continuance of frank and candid expression of opinion. He proposed to confer with the new Viceroy (Viscount Willingdon) immediately, as he was arriving in England in a few days, and agree to a plan for the continuance of the negotiations and the maintenance of personal contacts.

Period of Transition.

Mr. MacDonald then read the Government declaration and stated that in the view of the British Government responsibility for the Government of India should be placed upon the Legislatures, central and provincial, with such provisions as may be necessary to guarantee during the period of transition the observance of certain obligations and meet other special circumstances, also, with such guarantees as were required by the Minorities, to protect their political liberties and rights. (Cheers.)

In such statutory safeguards for meeting the needs of the transitional period, it would be the primary concern of His Majesty's Government to see that the reserved powers were so framed and exercised as not to prejudice the advance of India through the new constitution to full responsibility for her own Government. (Applause.)

Bi-Cameral Legislature. His Majesty's Government, while making this declaration, is

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE
ASSOCIATION.

THE REV. G. E. S. UPSDELL has resigned the position of Hon. Secretary and Mr. B. D. EVANS has been appointed in his stead.

Communications to the Association should be addressed either c/o The "Hong Kong Telegraph" or to No. 2, Royal Observatory Hill, Kowloon.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

OWNERS are reminded that ENTRIES for the Annual Race Meeting must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before SATURDAY, 24th January, 1931, at 3 p.m.

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MISSING JUNK.

ANXIETY OVER HER NON-
ARRIVAL.

Great anxiety is entertained owing to the non-arrival of a junk at Macao, which left Hong Kong on January 5.

In a report made to the Police, Lau Lai-chuen, manager of the Chuen Wo Shipping Company, stated that at about 5 p.m. on January 3, he engaged junk No. 7-405-II for the purpose of conveying 1,040 sacks of cement, valued at \$2,000, to Macao. The junk cleared from Hong Kong on January 5 and has not yet arrived at her destination.

The Postal Employees' Union, Shanghai, held a meeting on January 11 and passed a resolution that from 1931 New Year bonus should be issued on the following basis: One twelfth of the monthly pay for each month of service, no bonus to exceed a total of one month's salary.

According to the China Times, the resignation of Gen. Hsiung Shih-hai, Woosung Shanghai Garrison Commander, has been accepted. Gen. Hu Tau-ngh, of the 5th Division and concurrently of the 15th Brigade, has been appointed as his successor.

aware that some of the conditions essential to the working of such a constitution as is contemplated have not been finally settled, but it believes that as a result of the work done here they have been brought to a point which encourages the hope that further negotiations after this declaration will be successful.

His Majesty's Government had taken note of the fact that the Conference's deliberations had proceeded on a basis accepted by all parties, that the central Government should be the federation of all India, embracing both the Indian States and British India in a bi-cameral legislature.

The precise form of the structure of the new Federal Government must be determined after further discussion with the Princes and representatives of British India.

The range of subjects to be committed to it would also require further discussion; because a Federal Government would have authority, only in such matters concerning the States as would be decided by their rulers in the agreement made by them on entering into the Federation. (Cheers.)

Governor's Powers. The connection of the States with the Federation will remain subject to the basic principle that in regard to all matters not ceded by them to the Federation, their relations shall be with the Crown, acting through the agency of the Viceroy. (Cheers.)

With the legislatures constituted on a Federal basis, His Majesty's Government will be prepared to recognise the principle of responsibility of the executive toward the legislature. Under the existing conditions subjects of defence and external affairs will be reserved to the Governor-General and arrangements be made to place in his hands the powers necessary for the administration.

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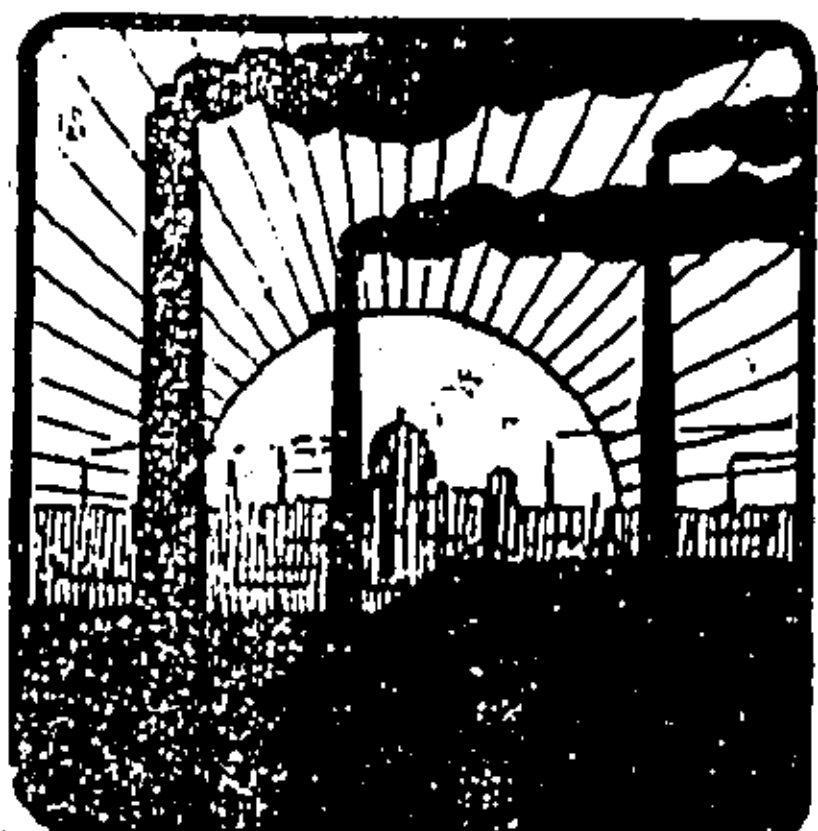
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Bantams. Pte. Blanchard, S.W.B. v. L/C Costello, Argylls.

Feathers. Pte. Skinner, S.W.B. v. Pte. Blackburn, Argylls.

Light Weights. Pte. Roberts, S.W.B. v. L/C Walker, Argylls.

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VOCE BOWLS WELL.

Durban, Yesterday.
After the loss of a whole day's play Siedle (29) and Cameron (5) continued South Africa's innings in sunshine to-day. A crowd of 2,000 spectators were present when the pair commenced batting on an easy wicket.

Only 35 runs had been added for the fifth wicket when Siedle fell to the wiles of Jacks White and was clean bowled for a useful contribution of 38. South Africa with half the side out for 86 runs was now with her back to the wall and cricket of the slowest nature was witnessed. Cameron and Deane did not take the slightest risk and were still together at the luncheon interval with 113 runs on the board.

Continuing the innings after lunch, Cameron (26) and Deane (14) had added only five runs when Voce got past Deane's defence. 118—5—15. The seventh wicket had added 23 runs when Cameron was caught off Tate. 141—7—41. White captured his third wicket when McMillan cocked a ball up to Wyatt at 161, and Duckworth took his fourth catch of the innings when Vincent flicked one from Voce, the innings closing for 177 runs.

The English bowlers returned very good figures, Voce claiming half the wickets for only 58 runs and White took 3 wickets for 21 runs in the course of sixteen overs. Maurice Tate had the following excellent figures.

O	M	R	W
27	13	33	2
Although bowling steadily, M.J.C. Allom failed to take a wicket in the course of twenty-five overs. At this point the tea interval was taken.			
Wyatt and Hammond opened the England innings and at the close of play had got within 47 runs of the South African total without being separated. Hammond, in scoring 53, played an attractive innings, collecting runs freely, and scoring all-round the wicket.—Reuter.			

South Africa—1st innings.			
I. J. Siedle, b White	38		
B. Mitchell, c Duckworth, b Tate	5		
S. Currow, c Duckworth, b Voce	2		
H. W. Taylor, c Duckworth, b Voce	3		
R. H. Catterall, b White	11		
H. B. Cameron, c Voce b Tate	41		
H. G. Deane b Voce	15		
Q. McMillan, c Wyatt b White	20		
C. L. Vincent, c Duckworth b Voce	18		
A. L. Quinn, b Voce	3		
A. J. Bell not out	0		
Extras	21		

Total 177
Fall of the wickets—1 for 14, 2 for 23, 3 for 33, 4 for 51, 5 for 86, 6 for 118, 7 for 141, 8 for 161, 9 for 172, 10 for 177.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tate.....	27	13	33	2
M.J.C. Allom...	25	4	44	0
Voce.....	29.2	3	58	5
J.C. White.....	16	6	21	3

England—1st innings.
R. E. S. Wyatt not out 45
Hammond not out 83
Extras 2

Total (for no wicket) .. 130

HOCKEY.

'VARSITY VERSUS THE
Y.M.C.A.

The following will represent the Varsity 1st XI. against the Y.M.C.A. to-day at 5 p.m. sharp at King's Park—
A. B. Sullivan (captain), W. A. James, R. E. G. Leong, P. M. N. D. Silva, A. M. Rodriguez, K. S. Ng, A. A. Aziz, T. W. Goh, S. C. Ho, A. Baste and E. L. Foo.

At the moment professional billiards has become too stereotyped—too mechanical. One solution to the problem would be a return to ivory balls, which have never been mastered in the way that the competition articles has.—Eric Martin.

First-class tennis in England has now reached the point at which something must be done to restore our lost position amongst the powers. We have the money and also the talent—somewhere.—J. H. MacDonald.

THIRD ROUND CUP
REPLAYS.Bradford City Beat
First Leaguers.

ALL TIES DECIDED.

All the ties in the Third Round of the English Cup were decided yesterday, the respective teams meeting for the third time on neutral grounds.

As a result Bradford City pass on into the Fourth Round to meet the Wolves at Bradford; Manchester United will visit Grimsby Town; Crystal Palace will entertain Everton, and West Bromwich will have a great match at home with the Spurs.

Hard-Fought Game.

Bradford City sprung somewhat of a surprise by beating Middlesbrough in a hard-fought game by the odd goal in three. The message does not state where the match was played. Playing on neutral ground at Liverpool, Manchester United made no mistake this time, defeating Stoke 4 goals to 2.

Reading and Crystal Palace met at Stamford Bridge, and another tense struggle resulted. There was no score at full time, but the Palace put on steam in the extra period, and made the issue safe with two goals. Reading failing to reply.

Too Good for Charlton.

Playing at Villa Park, Birmingham, West Bromwich proved too good for plucky Charlton, who were defeated by 3 goals to one.

Results as cabled by Reuter are as follows:—
Bradford C. 2 Middlesbrough 1
Manchester U 4 Stoke 2
Crystal Pal. 2 Reading 0
West Brom. 3 Charlton 1

Final Fourth Round Draw.
The final draw for the Fourth Round will therefore be as follows:—

Crystal Pal.	v.	Everton
Bradford C.	v.	Wolves
Bury	v.	Exeter
Leeds U.	v.	Newcastle
Grimsby T.	v.	Manchester U.
Chelsea	v.	Arsenal
Southport	v.	Blackpool
Blackburn	v.	Bristol R.
Bradford	v.	Burnley
Bolton	v.	Sunderland
Sheffield Un.	v.	Notts City.
West Brom.	v.	Tottenham
Watford	v.	Brighton
Drentford	v.	Portsmouth
Barnsley	v.	Wendesday
Birmingham	v.	Port Vale

Matches to be played on Saturday.—Reuter.

INTERPORT TRIAL
MATCH.Colony's Soccer Players
on View To-day.

ARMY v. REST.

The following are the teams for to-day's Association football trial on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m.:—

The Rest—Clarke (Police); Li Tinsang (South China); Bishop (Club); captain; Hedley (Kowloon); Oram (Police); Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic); B. Gosano (Recreio); Segalan (Club); A. V. Gosano (Recreio); Fung King-cheung and Ip Pak-wa (South China).
Reserves: Strange, McBride, A. Duncan (Club), and Sun Kam-shun (Athletic).
The Army: Joynson (R.A.); Mul-lane (S.W.B.); Henderson (Argylls); Morgan (S.W.B.); Eymon (S.W.B.); Yeoman (Argylls); Sanson (R.A.O.C.); Davies (S.W.B.); Loden (Argylls); McQuade (Argylls); and Lanson (R.A.M.C.).

YACHTING.

THE SEVENTH LADIES'
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The seventh Ladies' Championship yacht racing event was sailed yesterday, the course being:—

(1) Kowloon Rock (S).
(2) Mark on Line (S).
(3) Channel Rocks (S).
Distance 7.4 miles.
The results were as follows:—
"H" Class.

Yacht	Time
Diana	4:21.40
Collins	4:20.07
Rolls	4:20.03
La Linda	4:19.10
Argylla II	4:21.10
Dorothy	4:18.43

(Started at 3 p.m.)
Corrected Time Points
Diana 4:21.40 0 2
Collins 4:20.07 4 5
Rolls 4:20.03 3 6
La Linda 4:19.10 7 4
Argylla II 4:21.10 5 4
Dorothy 4:18.43 1 9

BRITAIN'S SPORTING
STADIUMS.Chain of Great Arenas
Proposed.

N.S.C. SUPREME AGAIN.

Details of the most ambitious scheme for the erection of sporting stadiums throughout Great Britain have been made known to me, states Trevor C. Wignall in the Daily Express.

The principals are General Rinks Trust, Ltd., but working in conjunction with them is the National Sporting Club.

The plan is to construct immediately large covered stadiums in London, Nottingham, and Southampton, and to proceed at a little later date with the building of similar bowls in Dublin, Liverpool, Manchester, Glasgow, Birmingham, Cardiff and other centres.

Work on the London stadium, which will be at Earl's Court, will begin at once. More than two hundred men will be engaged, and they will be kept employed for twenty-four hours a day until the middle of January, when the place will be opened.

Ambitious Scheme.

The main project of General Rinks Trust is to promote indoor skating and ice-hockey on a scale never before attempted in any country except America and Canada.

When all the stadiums are in use a new ice-hockey league will be formed, and, if necessary, famous players from America and Canada will be brought to this country to play in matches and to give instruction to British exponents.

The Earl's Court Stadium will accommodate 11,000 people for ice hockey and 13,000 for boxing, but the present arrangement is that the Summer months will be regarded as a close season, during which the stadiums will be leased for exhibitions and various sporting events.

Ice Removed.

There will be two links at Earl's Court, one of championship size and one smaller for experts and figure skaters, and the contractors guarantee that in each of these the ice can be removed in two hours.

The general manager appointed is Mr. Walter Kelgwan, who is well known in the skating and ice-hockey world.

In twelve months from now it is hoped that at least twelve of these bowls will be in operation. In each, fifteen weeks of the year will be devoted to ice hockey, and from twenty to twenty-four weeks to skating.

The National Sporting Club, which is now temporarily quartered in Soho, London, has been given the sole franchise for boxing in all the stadiums, here and abroad.

It needs to be stated that a somewhat similar scheme was proposed about a year ago, with which the National Sporting Club was also connected but this, for a variety of reasons, fell through. It is not the present intention of the club to instal itself at Earl's Court, although that may be a development of the future.

Remarkable Letter.

A letter has been issued, signed by Lord Tweedmouth, which in its own way is quite remarkable.

It states that the ordinary share capital of General Rinks Trust is £180,000, but that the company will go to allotment when £80,000 has been subscribed in cash. Of this amount the National Sporting Club will have to find £20,000.

The sum of £60,000 has been found by those interested in the ice hockey and skating business, while towards the £20,000 required by the National Sporting Club £7,500 has been guaranteed by the directors of the club and their friends.

Members of the club who are prepared to assist in the scheme will be allotted Eight per cent. £1 Ordinary shares in General Rinks Trust, and these shares confer upon the holders the right to a fixed non-cumulative preferential dividend of 8 per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital, and a participation to the extent of three-fourths on the surplus profits that will be distributed.

Rulers of Boxing.

In addition, those who subscribe £25 will receive a free seat at all the boxing events run by the club at Earl's Court in 1931.

No subscription to the club will be required from the subscribers of £25, and they may choose their seats in any part of the house for the eight—or perhaps twelve—tournaments it is hoped to run next year.

Subscribers of £50 will have two free seats, and will not be called upon to pay a subscription. Subscribers of £500 will be given a life membership seat.

If the project goes through in its entirety it is obvious that the National Sporting Club will re-

LINDRUM PLAYS WONDER
BILLIARDS

EPOCH MAKING FEAT

SCORES 3,905 POINTS IN ONLY
185 MINUTES.

AMAZING TOUCH

(By "Spot Ball.")

The match between Lindrum and McConachy, which comes to an end at Thurston's Hall, Leicester Square, will figure prominently in the annals of billiards as, perhaps, the most remarkable ever seen, not only because it afforded the Australian the opportunity of compiling a world's record break, but also for the stupendous effort he made to pull the game round in his favour, and further, on account of the wonderfully successful tactics employed by McConachy. Successful to a point, that is, for when Lindrum did "see" the balls, as he so whimsically describes his striking of form, the New Zealander had the misfortune to sit and witness the steady destruction of the apparently impregnable position he had built up in the first week.

Dour Determination.

Down to the halfway stage, the tussle between the two famous players aroused the enthusiasm of all who were privileged to witness it. McConachy's dour determination, his cautious but extremely accurate execution, and his well-conceived safety devices, entirely subjugated his brilliant rival, and at the end of the sixth day, Lindrum had wiped off only 108 of the 7,000 start he originally conceded. He was obviously "on his toes," and frequently displayed slight irritation, but the week-end break restored his equanimity, and without accomplishing anything out of the ordinary, he succeeded in knocking 1,600 off his arrears, consistency being the keynote of his play. This achievement proved to be the precursor of Lindrum's record-breaking performance, by means of which he completely altered the aspect of the game.

Sensational Play.

He held possession of the table for the whole of the afternoon session, McConachy looking on with dismay, and continued for eighty minutes in the evening while compiling the sensational and unprecedented number of 3,905 points in one break. Lindrum amazed everybody last season when he made a record of 3,262 against Willie Smith, and then only the 3,304 established by the veteran spot stroke player, W. J. Peall, against the late C. Dawson, at the old Westminster Aquarium so long as forty years ago, remained for him to conquer. This computation is, of course, excluding the huge runs made by the freakish "anchor" and "pendulum" strokes, and very few people thought Peall's figures would ever be eclipsed, even by Lindrum, although he had expressed the belief that he would, in due course, be able to make a 5,000 break. In view of his marvellous achievement however, one becomes more than ever convinced that it is impossible to attempt to estimate the ultimate possibilities of the Australian.

Eye Trouble.

It was a magnificent performance, and one which only a man of perfect constitution and physical fitness could be expected to accomplish. As he reeled off hundred after hundred in the afternoon, in a smoke-laden atmosphere, faced by the absolute necessity of doing something "big" in order to better his precarious position, wonder was expressed at the accuracy with which Lindrum made his points.

He certainly got into awkward looking situations once or twice, but he was always equal to the emergency and extricated himself by means of brilliant strokes. Towards the end of the session his eyes began to trouble him, but he managed to hang on, and when the

sums its old position as the rulers of boxing in Britain.

It proposes to stage its first big fight at Earl's Court Stadium in the third or fourth week of January, and negotiations are now proceeding to match—Kid Berg and Al Foreman for the British lightweight title.

Meanwhile, it is odd to hear that those members of the National Sporting Club who oppose the big schemes, and who ask only for a "comfortable place, with boxing on Monday nights, as in the old days," are still active in trying to found a National Sporting Club of their own.

When I go to the States they will find I am a worthy successor to my late fellow country and countryman, Bob Fitzsimmons—Len Harvey.

Interval was called his break amounted to 2,378 unfinished. Then he went on to win a game of snooker pool by 70 to 531.

Record Passed.

Speculation as to how long he would be able to continue was rife when the evening session began, but Lindrum resumed, refreshed and reinvigorated, and rapidly increased the break. In a little more than half-an-hour he had 3,000 on the board, and a quarter of an hour later, loud cheering greeted the announcement that he had surpassed Peall's long-standing record, writes "Spot Ball" in the Evening Dispatch.

In no way perturbed, Lindrum went on and on and although his progress became somewhat slower owing to the adverse running of the balls, it was not until eighty minutes had elapsed that he broke down. The ending of the break was somewhat unfortunate, the loss of the object white compelling him ultimately to set up a double baulk, but Lindrum admits he was partly responsible for the circumstance which led up to it. In trying for a middle pocket lesser off the red, he accidentally skimmed the object white which was resting close by and got a cannon instead of the stroke he intended, this spoiling his position. It was only a matter of a hair's breadth, and it is easy to understand how it happened when the player had been in action for so long.

Mostly Cannons.

The break, which occupied altogether three hours and five minutes, was largely comprised of cannons, of which Lindrum had recorded runs of 78, 110, 69, 76, 100, 85, 93, 100, 80, 86, 65, 70, 76, and 59, a total of 1,127, no fewer than 2,264 of the 3,905 points thus being scored by this means. There was, however, no suggestion of monotony at any period of the break, a statement which is well understood by those close observers who are able to realise the number of different strokes necessary to keep the balls in position for a long run of cannons.

During the day Lindrum scored 4,116 to McConachy's 119, and consequently secured a useful handicap advantage which he proceeded to enhance. Maintaining his form amazingly, Lindrum had breaks of 952 and 1,627, among others and at the three-quarter stage he was actually leading by 1,683, having, in six sessions, scored 10,153 points to his opponent's 1,678—an almost incredible achievement.

Referee's Ordeal.

Lindrum was, naturally, the recipient of a host of congratulatory telegrams from all parts of Britain and from Australia, everybody who is anybody in the billiards world hastening to applaud his epoch-making effort. All the British players, including Davis, Newman, Smith, and Stevenson, expressed their appreciation, but probably the message Lindrum will value more than any other is that from W. J. Peall, whose long-standing record had at length been eclipsed.

A tribute of appreciation is due to the referee, Chambers, who faultlessly marked and mentally recorded the huge compilation, as it is realised the strain he had to undergo was almost as great as that of Lindrum himself. McConachy, too, although the unfortunate victim of his rival's prowess, proved himself a true sportsman by his ready congratulations and noble bearing throughout the ordeal.

ANNUAL RACES.

ENTRIES TO CLOSE ON
SATURDAY.

Owners are reminded that all entries for the Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Hong Kong Jockey Club on or before Saturday, January 24 at 3 p.m.

They are a little "games mad" in England. There seems to be a lack of true proportion about sport matters, and I think that the newspapers there are largely to blame.—Dr. A. B. L. Karney, Bishop of Johannesburg.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

RADIO NOTICES

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	TUESDAY, JANUARY 20.	Per
Calcutta and Straits		Kum Sang
Batavia		Tjibadak.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21.		
Straits		Cremer.
Japan		Kamo Maru
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23.		
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, Dec. 25, 1930)		Hakone Maru
Japan and Shanghai		Katori Maru
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Dec. 26, 1930)		President Johnson
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25.		
Japan and Amoy		Tjiliwong
Manilla		President Jackson
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 3)		Empress of Asia
MONDAY, JANUARY 26.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Jan. 2)		President Taft
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27.		
Japan		Ginyo Maru
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28.		
Java		Storviken
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4.		
Australia and Manilla		Tanda

OUTWARD MAILS

For	TUESDAY, JANUARY 20.	Per
Bangkok		Hermid 3.30 p.m.
Swatow		Kwanto Maru 3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow		Kong Ning 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Sarpedon (Due Marseilles, Feb. 18.)
K.P.O.		G.P.O.
Registration Jan. 20, 4.30 p.m.		Registration Jan. 20, 5 p.m.
Letters Jan. 20, 4.30 p.m.		Letters Jan. 20, 5 p.m.
Swatow		Kwai Sang 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21.		
Straits		Mentor 2.30 p.m.
Amoy		Kumsang 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 22.		
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong		Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Manilla, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island		
Kamo Maru (Due Thursday Island, Feb. 4.)		Registration Jan. 22, 8.45 a.m.
Letters Jan. 22, 8.45 a.m.		Letters Jan. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Hydrangea 3 p.m.		Tainan 3.30 p.m.
Amoy 5 p.m.		Hulchow 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Hal Ning 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia		Hakone Maru 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Katori Maru (Due Marseilles, Feb. 22.)
K.P.O.		G.P.O.
Registration Jan. 23, 4.30 p.m.		Registration Jan. 24, 8.45 a.m.
Letters Jan. 24, 9 a.m.		Letters Jan. 24, 9.30 a.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24.		
*Swatow and Foochow		Cheong Shing 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25.		
Amoy		Kwangtung 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		Kalgan 9 a.m.
Swatow, *Amoy and Formosa		Hozan Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 26.		
Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco		President Jackson (Due San Francisco, Feb. 18.)
Parcels Jan. 26, 3 p.m.		Registration Jan. 26, 3 p.m.
Letters Jan. 26, 3 p.m.		Letters Jan. 26, 4.15 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia		President Jackson
Registration Jan. 26, 5 p.m.		Letters Jan. 26, 5 p.m.
Amoy		Yuen Sang 5 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Halchow 1 p.m.
Swatow		Hang Sang 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 30.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Comorin (Due Marseilles, Feb. 27.)
K.P.O.		G.P.O.
Parcels Jan. 30, 4.30 p.m.		Registration Jan. 30, 5 p.m.
Letters Jan. 31, 9 a.m.		Letters Jan. 31, 9.45 a.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 31.		
Japan		Ginyo Maru 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1.		
Sandakan		Yu Sang 9 a.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

BOXING IN THE EAST
END.Amusing Afternoon's
Entertainment.

"FOUR PENNY" ATMOSPHERE.

[By P. Wagstaff.]
Premierland, the Mecca of the East End's boxing fans, is to be converted into a motor garage. The general public may not be aware that Premierland was the aristocrat of East End boxing halls, to which ambitious youth literally fought its way, from a number of small and unpretentious rings which are scattered about that romantic part of London which lies "East of Aldgate Pump." It is usual for the contests at these places to be staged on Sunday between 11.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. One of the most popular of these is Luke Doran's Palace. Here I found myself on a warm Sunday morning in company with some 200 of the locals, although the hall would have been more comfortably filled with 120.

Conditions.
The prices of admission varied from four-pence for a stand at the back of the hall to one and three-pence for an ex-cinema tip-up seat at the ring side. The atmosphere was stuffy and smoky to begin with, and, as the attendants were kept busy with orders for apples, potato crisps and chewing gum between the bouts, the general mellowness showed a tendency to increase.

The M.C. had "personality" and several large assistants, so that, although the proceedings were sometimes uproarious, the discipline of the ring was kept at an extremely high level.

The Programme.
The combined ticket-programme was interesting and descriptive. For instance, there was the bout between the "Poplar lad who has won All Along the Line" and the "Bethnal Green boy who has K.O'd All the Best," a four-round "Needle Fight to settle a dispute that had arisen between two lads in the course of their Daily Occupation," while international interest was aroused by a six-round contest between "The Scotch Terrier" and "The Steppen Terrier," a description that one feels is a little misleading in view of the fact that both boys came from Holly Bush-gardens, Bethnal Green, and both derive their weekly sustenance from the same Labour Exchange.

One Fight.
Here it has to be recorded that the Steppen Terrier showed a disposition to take the count too easily in the second round, but thought better of it when a section of the audience began to chant in an affected treble, "Ringer, ringer rosis. All fall down." In the fourth round, however, he decided to stay down for good despite the sarcastic advice tendered to his second by a cheery individual with a broken nose to "Bite 'is ear 'is still a-breavin'."

Purses And Benefits.
The "purses" were not too thrilling, ranging from four shillings to as much as sixteen shillings for the two top-liners, but the management reserves the right to "fine" a man a shilling a round for "not trying." On the other hand, there are "the knockins" for men who put up a good show. A towel is spread in the ring at the end of the bout, and the M.C. says, "There's no compulsion, gentlemen and there's no entry charge" the rest of the speech being interrupted by a towel.

Principals Divide.
This is gathered up and, escorted by both seconds, is taken to the dressing-room and divided between the principals. Each man may get anything from half a crown to ten shillings as his share, writes P. Wagstaff in The Evening News.

A rather pathetic incident was provided by a man who deputised for a fighter who did not turn up. In borrowed shorts and shoes he fought under a borrowed name which concealed the identity of a man who, a few years ago, had won the A.B.A. welter-weight championship at the Albert Hall wearing the

colours of the Royal Air Force. This morning he was down and out, and glad of the chance of earning four shillings.

Half Starved.
As he stepped into the ring his body showed the bloated skininess of the "bread-and-only-bread" fed man, and although he fought with skill and courage his blows lacked force and he had no staying power. Soon he showed signs of punishment, and in the second round went down with a crash, but was saved by the bell.

"Stop the fight!" shouted an unshaven pug in the fourpennies, but when "Time" was called the ex-Air Force champion made a brave show of springing from his corner, though everyone felt that here was a man fighting for all that four shillings means to a broken man, a man to whom a "fine" of a shilling meant something akin to heart-break.

Cockney Chivalry.
And now, too, one saw the innate chivalry of Cockney gentlemen. In this round the "Canning Town Promise" unaccountably

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL

GOLF—To-day—Ross Cup—First Round (Ladies).
Friday—First Round of Ladies' Championship.
Sunday—Exhibition Four-Ball Game, Cruickshank and Melhorn, Fanning; Semi-final, K.C.C. Junior Championship.
February 1—Second Round Junior Championship, Fanning.
February 10—Junior Section, Championship, R.H.K.G.C. (First round).
FANLING HUNT—To-morrow—Hunters' Arms.
Sunday—17 Pine Tree Hill, 26 2/30 milestones.
January 28—Race Course.
January 31—Sun Wal Camp.
RUGBY FOOTBALL—Saturday—Club v. Army (Triangular Tournament).
February 8—Club v. Navy (Triangular Tournament).
FOOTBALL—To-day—Interport Trial—Colony v. Army, 4.30 p.m.
RACING—February 15—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
February 28—March 7—Annual Race Meeting.
March 14—First Extra Race Meeting.
FENCING—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.15 p.m.
CHESS—To-day—Kowloon Chess Club Championship.
BOXING—To-morrow—Army Individual Championship, City Hall.
ATHLETICS—To-day—Indra School's Meeting (I.R.C. ground), 2 p.m.
March 16 and 18—Hong Kong v. Canton Universities.

HOME.

FOOTBALL—Saturday—English Cup—Fourth Round.
RUGBY FOOTBALL—Saturday—Scotland v. France, Paris.

missed several easy openings and fell into holds that lasted an incredible number of seconds before the referee called "Break," and when a would-be wit began to sing "I'm champion down our way... at leavin', leavin'" he was roughly silenced with yells of "Order, please!"

Amusing Incident.
In the next round the broken man staggered from his corner with his head sagging forward, and a freshly-dressed, pimply youth in a ring side seat screamed to his opponent, "Up 'im! Up 'im!" but was admonished at once from the far side of the ring by a large greengrocer with a prosperous-looking abdomen, decorated with an enormous gent's gold Albert, who, in a loud bass voice, thundered, "You git too excited, me lad. What you want do, you want duck yer 'ed under a paller cold water free times and take it out twice."

But the end came almost at once. A tottering figure, shades of "Stop it!" Pandemonium, the referee stops the fight! "Gennelman, there's no compulsion," then showers of copper and silver, and everyone knows that the Canning Town Promise will on this occasion waive his right to a split of the knockin's.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	11 1/2
Bank, on demand	11 1/2
Bank, 4 months' sight	11 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/— 3/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/— 5/16
On Paris—	
On demand	592 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	632 1/2
On New York—	
On demand	23 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	24 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	64 1/2
On demand	64 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	64 1/2
On demand	64 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	41 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	46 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	74 3/4
Dollar	3s.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	46 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/— 3/16
Silver (per oz.)	13 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3 1/2 prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	22% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	1/4% prem.

JAPANESE WOMEN.

MEMBERSHIP OF 2,000,000 IN
NEW ORGANISATION.

The Japan Women's Society which has been established with a membership of 2,000,000 divided into more than three score of bodies and associations is to hold its inauguration ceremony on February 11, in Tokyo.

The function will be attended by all prominent social workers and publicists as well as the Educational and other Government Department officials concerned.

The new organisation proposes to undertake various enterprises of a social nature as well as to promote the common welfare of women in the country.—Rengo.

JAPANESE LABOUR CENSUS.

7,564 Factories Employing
1,200,000 Workers.

There are 7,564 factories employing 1,297,844 workers of whom 623,610 are men and the rest female, according to the announcement made by the Statistical Bureau of the Imperial Government on the basis of the 3rd national labour census that took place on October 10 last throughout the country.

Classified into the Government and Civil works, Government-operated factories number 164 with 136,376 workers employed, as against 7,401 works privately owned with the number of workers reaching 1,161,468, of whom 14,122 are men and 647,346 are women.—Rengo.

THE ENGLAND-AUSTRALIA
AIRWAY.

The suggestion from the Straits Settlements to fill up the Java-Port Darwin gap in the airline from England to Australia by the Dutch air-service has been received here with much approval and it considered a very high tribute to Dutch airmanship by the British. In any case it is felt that the Dutch air service deserves such a compliment as it has done everything to make the connection by aeroplane as complete as possible with the result that it maintains the lines at present with unfailing accuracy.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 20th Jan., 1931.

STOCK	Buy-ers	Sell-ers	Sales	Div.	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.					
Hong Kong Bank	2090	...	...	Dec.	[Interim 25 s/s 1930 25/1251—\$14.43] Aug. 11, 30
Chartered Bank	...	...	16 1/2	Dec.	[Interim 7/100 free 1/100 1/100] Sep. — 30
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	...	...	26	Dec.	[Int. 25/100 1/100 1/100] Sep. — 30
" " C.	...	...	13 1/2	Dec.	[Int. 25/100 1/100 1/100] Sep. — 30
Bank of Asia	115	...	...	Dec.	[Int. 25/100 1/100 1/100] Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.					
Canton Ins.	...	...	1800	Dec.	[Final 87/100 for 1930] May 16, 30
Union Ins.	...	...	605	Dec.	[Final 15/100 for 1930] May 30, 30
*China Underwriters	315	...	...	Dec.	[Final 80/100 for 1930] May 30, 30
China Fire Ins.	475	...	...	Dec.	[Final 80/100 for 1930] May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	...	...	1800	Dec.	[Final 80/100 for 1930] Mar. 28, 30
Shipping.					
Douglases	...	...	28 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 4, 30
H. K. Steamships	...	...	29 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] June 12, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	40	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Pending
" (Del.)	...	...	27	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Pending
Shell Transport	...	...	74 1/4	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Pending
Union Waterboats	...	...	39	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 10, 30
Mining.					
Benguet	11	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 30, 30
Kailan Mining Ad.	...	...	30 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Dec. 30, 30
Langkat	...	...	9 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration	...	...	2 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 1, 30
" Loans	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Dec. 18, 30
*Rauha	...	...	40 1/2	Mar.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Dec. 18, 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.					
H. K. & W. Wharves	17 1/2	...	17 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 18, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 18, 30
South Ch. Motors	...	...	10	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 18, 30
*China Provident (old)	5.30	...	5.40	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Sep. 18, 30
" (new)	...	...	2.65	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 28, 30
Hongkong	...	...	28 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 30, 30
N. Engineering	...	...	6 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 30, 30
Shanghai Docks	...	...	110	Apr.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.					
*H. K. & S. Hotels	12 1/2	...	12.00	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 7, 30
H.K. Lands (old)	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Aug. 8, 30
" (new A)	...	...	80 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 31, 30
" (new B)	...	...	82 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] May 7, 30
Shanghai Lands	...	...	350	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Sep. 4, 30
Humphreys (Cum Rs.)	...	...	17 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 31, 30
" Rights	...	...	3	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Sep. 4, 30
H. K. Realties	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] July 31, 30
Chinese Estates	...	...	57	Feb.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 7, 30
Cotton Mills.					
*Ewo Cotton	...	...	14	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton	...	...	90 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Nov. 29, 30
Zoong Sing	...	...	10 1/2	June	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.					
*H. K. Tramways	17.00	...	17.00	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Aug. 27, 30
*H.K. Trams (old)	...	...	14 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] June 16, 30
" (new)	...	...	6 1/2	Apr.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 14, 30
Sar Ferry	...	...	96	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Dec. 15, 30
*China Light	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 12, 30
H. K. Electric	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 12, 30
Macao	...	...	23	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 12, 30
Sandakan Lights	...	...	12	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Mar. 12, 30
H.K. Tel. fully paid	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Aug. 1, 30
" part paid	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 28, 30
China Bus	...	...	15 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 28, 30
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	...	...	7/10	Sept.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 6, 30
" (Pref.)	...	...	10 1/2	Sept.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Feb. 6, 30
Industrials.					
China Sugars	...	...	80 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 11, 30
Malayan Sugars	...	...	27	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 30, 30
Cald. Mag. Ord.	...	...	10 1/2	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 30, 30
" Pref.	...	...	10.40	Dec.	[Final 40/100 for 1930] Apr. 30, 3

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"ONE MAD KISS."

Mona Maris, featured in "One
Mad Kiss," Fox Movietone musical
romance opposite Don Jose Mojica,
Chicago Grand Opera star, has one
of the most unusual names of any
one in pictures.

Her name, translated into Eng-
lish, literally means "sea monkey."
"When I was a little girl in
Buenos Aires," Miss Maris explained,
"I was quite mischievous. My
family called me 'Mona' which in
English means 'little monkey'."

"When I decided upon a career
in pictures, I decided my real name,
Maria Rosa Amita Capdevielle,
would scarcely do professionally.
I recalled that I used to be called
'Mona.' Then I also have always
loved the ocean, and have crossed
it a number of times, so I thought
'Maris' meaning 'sea' would be a
good last name and the two in
combination would be euphonious."

Which explains how one actress,
at least, acquired her professional
name. Mojica, in this feature
which is doing exceptional business
these days at the Queen's Theatre,
is a handsome young Latin with a
magnetic personality. Born in
Mexico of Spanish parents, he has
been a member of the Chicago Civic
Opera company for eight years,
singing leads opposite such noted
stars as Mary Garden, Galli Curci
and Freda Hempel.

Tom Patricola and Antonio
Moreno also are prominent in the
cast. Marcel Silver directed. His
previous productions include "Fox
Movietone Follies of 1929" and
"Married in Hollywood."

"DELIGHTFUL ROGUE."

"Ah, the hero enters on his cue!"
Thus Rod La Roque, strutting
his guitar with languid fingers, sets
the tempo—and the satire—of "The
Delightful Rogue," a swashbuckling
yarn of a modern pirate in the
tropics, which opened yesterday at
the Central Theatre.

Radio Pictures has turned out a
different talkie with this story by
Wallace Smith. It is the first sea
picture in sound and it is the first
time the sound camera has taken
a tongue-in-the-cheek attitude about
drama and had fun with its own
thrills.

Least it be thought that "The
Delightful Rogue" is merely a high-
hat full of subtleties, it should be
mentioned at the outset that there
is more old-time action and thrills
than anything seen to date on the
sound screen.

But that action is polished with
a gay humour rare to the movies.
Rod La Roque is Laistro,
a Latin vagabond. He seizes a
millionaire's yacht and turns it
into a pirate ship, to plunder a
group of tropical islands.
As a 1929 pirate, whose pajamas
would be the envy of a Vanity Fair
column conductor, with a radio in
his cabin and tea every afternoon,
La Roque gives one of the most
entertaining performances of his
career.

Rita La Roy, recently recruited
from the stage, appears opposite La
Roque as Bydra, the café dancer,
into whose love affairs Laistro pokes
his attractive villain's nose.

Her voice has an unusual appeal.
She introduces the romantic theme
song, "Gay Love," by Oscar Levant
and Sidney Clare.

Charles Byer, Harry Semels, Ed
Brady and Bert Moorehouse round
out the supporting cast with cap-
able performances.

"The Delightful Rogue" was
directed by A. Leslie Pearce and
Lynn Shores. The adaptation and
dialogue of the film were written by
Smith from his own original Cos-
mopolitan story. "A Woman De-
cides" RCA Photophone was used
to record.

TERRIBLE ORDEAL.

Three hours in water for
"Talkie" scene.

For more than three hours Miss
Ella Mae Tarriss, who is 57 years of
age, sat knee-deep in cold water
while a sound picture was being
taken of the last moment of the
liner "Atlantic."

Every now and then explosions
took place, rockets were fired and
windows broken, hundreds of gal-
lons of water were released through
the windows of the ship to sweep
in waves towards her. The scene
is an incident in "Atlantic," direct-
ed by E. A. Dupont, for British
International Pictures at Elstree,
which will be shown on Wednesday
at the Queen's Theatre.

Grouped round Miss Terriss, who
is the only woman in the scene,
were about fifty men, including Mr.
Franklin Dyllan, who was propped
up in an invalid chair; Mr. Monty
Banks, and Mr. Donald Cathrop, all
of whom had to remain in the water
for hours.

So great was the ordeal that Miss
Terriss had to be assisted to her
dressing room. Her legs were al-
most numb.

PRIMATE ON BIRTH CONTROL.

A Defence of the
Bishops.

NO "OSTRICH POLICY."

Reference to the resolution pass-
ed by the Lambeth Conference of
Bishops on birth control was made
by the Archbishop of Canterbury,
Dr. Lang, when he addressed the
Lower House of the Convocation of
Canterbury at Church House, West-
minster. He was accompanied by
members of the Upper House.

"I much regret," he said, "the
way in which in some quarters the
impression has been given that
this subject was the one which
most concerned the Conference."

"It was open to the Conference to
ignore the whole subject, but I sub-
mit that would have been impos-
sible in the presence of the greatly
growing and abiding change—al-
most revolution—in the customs of
the married life of the whole world,
a change that has, as its main
factor, the causing of a general de-
cline of 55 per cent. in the world's
birth rate."

"It was also open to the Confer-
ence to repeat the words of the
1920 resolution. Either course
would have been the policy of the
ostrich and not of Bishops expect-
ed to give guidance to their flock."

Anxious Discussion.

Dr. Lang then stated that the
Bishops well knew the risks of mis-
representation to which they would
be liable. The matter was given
long and anxious discussion both in
committee and in conference, and
all aspects were presented with
thoroughness and ability.

"I think," he proceeded, "that it
would be true to say of the great
majority of the Bishops that they
approached the matter with a
strong prejudice against any use of
artificial means to control the birth
of children, but they could not
divest themselves of the responsi-
bilities of discussing the subject."

"The Conference asserted the
duty and privilege of parenthood.
It declared that it was wrong to
enter the married state with the
intention of avoiding or evading or
disregarding that duty."

"It was compelled, however, to re-
cognise that there are circum-
stances when a birth would involve
great danger to the health, pos-
sibly to the life, of a mother, when
means at the time made it impos-
sible to provide for the rearing and
training of another child, or when
the mother might be prematurely
exhausted and additional children
might render her incapable of doing
her duty to the existing family."

"The resolution of the Confer-
ence said that, where there is such
a clear obligation to avoid paren-
thood, the primary and obvious
manner is complete abstinence
from intercourse."

"But are there not cases when
there is a morally justifiable rea-
son for avoiding complete abstin-
ence?"

Exceptional Cases.

Cases occurred, Dr. Lang added,
when the strain of complete abstin-
ence might involve grave nervous
disorders and injury to health both
of body and mind. In such excep-
tional cases, he asked, could the use
of means to avoid conception be
denounced as in themselves sinful?

In this matter there was no clear
guidance from the words of our
Lord or in the New Testament. To
denounce it as sinful because it
involved interference with the
course of nature would carry them
further than could be justified—
many resources of medical science
involved such interference.

In quarters, again, where the
ecclesiastical condition was most
strongly observed, it was admitted
that at certain periods intercourse
might take place, though there was
a definite intention to avoid con-
ception, and it was difficult to see
the difference in principle in the
use of this and other methods.

The Conference was, therefore,
unable to condemn the use of artifi-
cial methods as in themselves sin-
ful, but it insisted that use was per-
missible only in those exceptional
cases. It condemned their use in
cases with motives of selfishness,
luxury or mere convenience.

It threw responsibility for de-
cisions of intention and method to
be judged by the only legitimate
forum, the conscience, but it must
be a conscience purged of those
wrong motives and genuinely seek-
ing the light of Christian prin-
ciples.

The Conference most clearly
asserted the absolute sinfulness of
the use of these methods apart from
the marriage state. It declared
that the motives which in the great
majority of cases led to their use
within the marriage state were to
be strongly condemned, and it em-
phasised the duty of parenthood.

"I would ask you if to describe the
Bishops at Lambeth Conference as
being in favour of contraceptives is
not a gross misrepresentation of
the facts," Dr. Lang concluded.

FUTURE OF CANADA.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE
DOMINION'S NAME.

BAN ON TITLES.

Canada's Parliament must con-
sider at its session in February
whether the Dominion shall be
named "The Kingdom of Canada,"
with King George of England as
sovereign, and whether Canadians
shall be entitled again to receive
titles of nobility.

M. Armand Lavergne, deputy
speaker of the House of Commons,
has given notice that he would
submit to Parliament a series of
motions covering both questions.

M. Lavergne is not the first to
propose that Canada should be
known as "The Kingdom of Cana-
da." Sir John Macdonald, first
Prime Minister of Canada, want-
ed that name for the country in-
stead of the name "Dominion of
Canada" away back in 1867, when
the Dominion of Canada was or-
ganised by the federation of the
separate British colonies.

It has been understood that Sir
John's proposal met with opposi-
tion in the British Government on
the ground that ultra republican
sentiment in the U.S. might take
offence at the establishment of a
"Kingdom" on the North Ameri-
can Continent. It is not supposed
that there would be any affront
to American sensibilities now in
the adoption of the name for this
country.

The proposal does not contem-
plate that there should be a
separate king for Canada. His
Majesty George V. in London
would be King of Canada and
would be represented in Ottawa
by a Viceroy. A few years ago
there was an unofficial suggestion
that such a change should be
made and that one of King
George V.'s sons should become
King of Canada, with a royal re-
sidence at Ottawa.

Should Canada become a king-
dom, it would, of course, be the
only kingdom on this continent.
M. Lavergne's motion submits
that it is in the interests of the
Empire and of the Canadian
Federation that the name King-
dom of Canada be adopted.

The motion for the restoration
of the right of Canadians to re-
ceive titles at the hands of His
Majesty may find much support in
Parliament.

In a democratic mood during
the World War, Parliament decid-
ed that the foundations of the
nation were being weakened by
the establishment on this country
of a "titled aristocracy," so it
passed a petition to His Majesty
praying that he discontinue the
practice of bestowing titles on
such of his subjects as were citizens
of Canada.

Since then, no Canadian has re-
ceived a title from the King, but
many in Parliament and outside
it have regretted that petition
ever since. It probably would
not be passed were it submitted
to Parliament now. But it is
easier to put through a measure
of that kind than it is to revoke
it. A couple of years ago a pro-
posal was made that the ban on
titles be modified but it was de-
feated by a vote in the House of
Commons. It is, thought possible
however, that with a conservative
Government in power, having a
large majority behind it, the re-
newed effort to lift the ban might
have a chance of success.

Prior to the decision against
titles the one most commonly be-
stowed on Canadians was that
which goes with a knighthood the
title "sir" which carried with it
the title "lady" for the knight's
wife. No Canadians were made
barons.—United Press.

COLD WINTER?

SIGNS AND PORTENTS IN
GERMANY.

Berlin, Nov. 20.

Naturalists in Germany are pro-
phesying that the present cold
spell and heavy snowfalls are
forerunners of a severe Winter,
similar to that of two years ago.
The German marmot or "Ham-
ster," has buried himself for his
Winter sleep, half a yard deep in
the earth, and provided himself
with as much foodstuff and straw
bedding as he could find. Last
year he scraped quarters for lib-
erating only few centimetres below
the earth's surface. Thicker coats
than last year are being grown
by the roe-buck and their kindred
who haunt Germany's woods.

Such signs as these are believed
in so firmly in many parts of the
country that coal and wood are
being bought in larger quantities
than usual by country folk, who re-
member the terrible hardships en-
dured during the winter of 1928.

The wholesale price of Chinese
rice ranged from \$11.50 to \$12.60
a picul on January 12.

RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.
7 p.m.—Stock Quotations.
5-5:30 p.m.—Concert Items.
Orchestral—
Spring Song (Mendelssohn).
International Concert Orch. (35839).

Song—
By the Waters of Minnetonka, (Thurlow Lohrman).
Ernestine Schumann-Hoink (Contralto) (1198).

Violin Solo—
Humoresque (Tschikowsky-Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler (1170).

Song—
O Sole Mio (My Sunshine!) (Capurro-Di Capua).
Tito Schipa, Tenor (1059).

Violin Solo—
Waltz in G Flat (Chopin).
Eugen Zimbalist (1154).

Song—
Homage (Salmon-del Riego).
Marguerite D'Alvarez, Contralto (1116).

Violin Solo—
At Dawning (Cadmian-Rissland).
Fritz Kreisler (1165).

Waltz—
5:30-6:05 p.m.—Orchestral.
Potpourri (C. Bohrer).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra (59673).

Pier Gyn Suite—
a. Morning.
b. The Death of Ase.
Victor Symphony Orchestra (55793).

Like Danube Waltz (Strauss).
Wedding Dance (Paul Lincke).
International Concert Orch. (35927).

The Swing.
Hudson Waves (Pignoloni).
Victoria Orchestra (55876).

6:05-6:15 p.m.—Band Music.
Marcha Turca (Turkish March).
(Mozart).
Bucarecio—Taranella e Valzer (Franz von Suppe).

6:15-8 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan.
Lanthe—Recorded in Europe under the direction of Rupert D'Oyly Carte.

7 p.m.—Stock Quotations.
8 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Relay.
11:30 p.m.—Close Down.

RADIO-PHONE CALLS

JAPANESE INVENTION TO LINK AIR-AND WIRE.

The experts at the Kemikawa Wireless Station have succeeded, as it is claimed, in inventing a special device for making telephone communication possible between wireless and ordinary telephone installations.

Experimental communications are now being effected between Formosa and Kemikawa and the invention is expected to be completed shortly.

If the experiment succeeds, Japan's phone communication system might be regarded as having been practically consummated, since anybody could get into touch with wireless stations by attaching a simple apparatus to an ordinary telephone apparatus.

CHURCH MUSIC.

GOOD PROGRAMMES FROM SAIGON.

Singapore, Jan. 3.
Once again the subject of the advantages a straight detector and L.F. short-wave receiver crops up, this time with the arguments strongly in favour of the screened grid stage before the detector. And why? Because the screened-grid enthusiasts assert with plenty of confidence that with the number of amateurs increasing daily it will soon be impossible to listen to any programme without interference from those who cause their sets to oscillate. The argument is a good one. A screened grid stage certainly lessens the possibility of back-feed into the aerial, but quite recently I was able to try my hand at another short-wave receiver incorporating a tuned stage of screened grid and I have compared the results with the working of an efficient straight set. In my opinion, the straight set wins. Of course, that is only with regard to the particular test I made and it is not for a moment suggested that the screened grid valve is not an improvement to a short-wave receiver. However, there is one thing that speaks volumes for the straight set and that is that in spite of the vigorous search for the best short-wave receiver, it holds its own and continues to be popular. The super set, is gaining in popularity and so are the other elaborate and modern short-wave designs but the straight set is still in the running.

With regard to the test above referred to, it was made on a four valve—screened grid, detector, and two L.F.—but Saigon only came through on the loudspeaker about as strong as Manila is usually heard on many a good straight three. I was no more able to separate Manila and Saigon properly than on the ordinary receiver and when the I.T. voltage of the detector stage was increased in an attempt to bring up volume a nasty little howl crept in. However, it was a well-made set and brought in everything there was on the air but mostly on the headphones.

A Useful Suggestion.
Quite recently a correspondent sent me a suggestion for preventing a straight set from oscillating. He says that he has tried the tip of using a small variable condenser between the plate of the detector valve and earth and it has worked well, but he finds that turning can be sharpened up and adjusted without going into oscillation if a small variable condenser is connected up between the grid and earth—really a small condenser in parallel with the main aerial tuning condenser. I have tried the suggestion and find that it works quite well but is not really

necessary where your dial is equipped with a very fine tuning arrangement. However, it does help and to the constant fiddlers who try to improve the quality of their reception by continually adjusting their reaction condenser with the result that the set is constantly oscillating it should prove useful. Having brought in a station in the usual way the small condenser can be adjusted to make a slight improvement in volume.

Reception Notes.
Those who found time for tuning in during the hectic days that have just passed were rewarded by some excellent fare. Saigon had a special programme on Christmas Eve and particularly good was the church music that followed the evening programme. The choir singing came through very well and with plenty of strength.

Manila had several special items and on New Year's Day the programme broadcast by Radio from Manila and Cebu was quite well received.

Listeners report that Sydney has been heard during the past few days and that conversations between Singapore and Perth, West Australia, have been resumed.

The Java stations have been good with music that seldom falls below the standard of the semi-classical. It is interesting to note that the Amateur Wireless short wave expert says that transmissions (received in England, of course) which are generally particularly good at Christmas time are those from the two Dutch stations PLE and PLF in Java.

Pull-Power Transmissions.
Though it is not perhaps generally known, most of the American short-wave stations do not nowadays transmit on full power except upon special occasions. There are exceptions to this, but it holds good for many of the stations which are household words. You may have noticed that, though you have heard little of, say, W2XAD, W2XAF, the relays of KDKA, and so on, for a long while, they nearly always come up to the scratch when the relay of such an event as a boxing match is taking place. Generally, the reason why you receive them so much better than is not that conditions have improved, but quite simply that they are using far more power than they were doing previously or will do on succeeding nights.—A.W. in Singapore Free Press.

WIRELESS IN MECCA.

BROADCASTING STATION BEING BUILT.

Ibn Saud, ruler of the Wahibis, King of Hejaz and the Nejd, and Keeper of the Islamic Holy Places, Mecca and Medina, is having a great wireless station built by a British firm at Mecca.

To rule his country Ibn Saud has used aeroplanes and desert artillery, and part of his army has been mechanised. He has even introduced motor-ambulances.

Now comes his latest innovation—radio, which is to include wireless stations in other cities of the Hejaz in addition to Mecca.

Every evening the day's happenings in Arabia will be broadcast.

BLASPHEMY BY RADIO.

First Conviction in America.

Portland (Oregon).
Robert Gordon Duncan, who styled himself the Oregon wildcat, was fined \$100, and sent to jail for six months, for having blasphemed over the wireless.

It was the first conviction in America for such an offence. Duncan, who had his own broadcasting station, uttered many heated personal attacks during the recent election campaign.

He also assailed the chain store system in such violent language that the authorities suppressed his station.

The dismissal some time ago of the young instructor of an exclusive girls high school in Kyoto who worked as a waitress in a cafe after school hours is likely to be duplicated in Tokyo as the result of the discovery of a music teacher in a private girls' school who is appearing as a jazz singer in the "Kajino Folies" at Asakusa, the city's popular amusement centre. The woman in question with the "dual personality" is Miss Yoshiko Marunouchi, 27, music instructor at the Tekun Gakuin, a private girls' school in Tabata, in the suburbs of Tokyo.

Melody Mike Greet You



Canada is sold on "Melody Mike." Every Monday night when you tune in on your radio this is the special old-time melody that you and whose popularity across the Dominion is attested by the fact that more than 15,000 fan letters of praise and commendation have been received for a month by the Canadian Pacific Radio department under whose auspices "Melody Mike's Music Show" features has been sent out over the air.

NEW FASHIONS IN DRUGS.

Report of Geneva Opium Board.

Drug addiction has its changing fashions, according to the draft report of the Permanent Central Opium Board to the League Council.

This report, which was discussed at the public meeting of the Board on October 18 gives statistics showing that the production of various morphine drug addicts is now rapidly declining mainly owing to the activities of the League of Nations.

The manufacture of diacetylmorphine last year was, for instance, 50 per cent. lower than the annual average for the preceding four years. There was also a decrease of 15 per cent. in the manufacture of cocaine with a very slight decrease in the production of morphine.

But any hope raised by an examination of these figures is dispelled by a study of the figures for the manufacture of drugs not covered by the Geneva Opium Convention. The fashions in the use of drugs are largely due to the pressure of changing circumstances governing their control.

The report considers that whilst the danger to the world from esters of morphine has greatly diminished, other similar dangers will arise.

A New Substance.
The advent of the new substance known as "aceticone," which is now obtainable in almost every country, well illustrates this. The League health committee has advised the Opium Board that aceticone is as great a danger to humanity as any of the drugs specifically mentioned in the Geneva Convention. Its grip of addicts is tenacious and its effects are terrible. Yet the League is at present unable to combat this new evil because the drug is not in the Convention.

The Opium Board decided to examine this subject thoroughly at its next session and aceticone will eventually be placed on the black list of narcotic drugs. When that moment arrives aceticone will decline in popularity and a fresh drug free from League restraint will be put upon the market.

It is in connection with drugs that are not covered by the opium convention that the Opium Board finds such great difficulty in getting the necessary information from Governments. Great Britain is a notable exception and has given the Board the most complete information possible.

The Opium Board is not at all satisfied with the statistics supplied by different Governments as to ostensible requirements of drugs for medical and scientific purposes. The Australian consumption of cocaine is double the average of the other Anglo-Saxon countries. The consumption of diacetyl morphine is in France 21 times and in Japan 20 times as high as the average of other countries examined.

Enamel plates bearing slogans, of which the following are translations, have been issued by the 1st District Kuomintang, Mei Ka Loong City, and affixed inside trams of the Nantao Tramway Co.:—"Extraterritoriality shields foreigners in the commission of atrocities in China." "To regain our national rights we must abolish extraterritoriality." "Abolish all unequal treaties."

SECRECY IN AIR TRAGEDIES.

Protest by Guild of Pilots.

Outspoken criticism of official reticence as to the cause of air accidents was made at the first annual meeting in London of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators.

Many of the Guild's most distinguished members, among them Air-Vice-Marshal Sir W. Setton Branner, Squadron-Leader E. L. Johnston, Lt.-Comdr. Atherstone, Mr. Gifflett, and Lt.-Col. G. L. P. Henderson, were lost in the R101 disaster, the Meopham crash, and other accidents this year. Referring to these, Capt. A. G. Lamplugh, treasurer of the Guild, said:

"This year has witnessed a series of disasters and fatalities which will be pretty hard to beat, particularly in the case of the Meopham disaster, where, besides the loss of eminent public people, we lost a valuable friend in Col. Henderson, one of the stoutest-hearted pilots in this country."

"I doubt whether any accurate cause for this accident will ever be known. I say this with all due deference to the body now sitting to investigate the cause of the crash who deserve our sympathy in their difficult task."

"Blame The Pilot."
The lack of any tangible evidence as to the cause is very disturbing from our point of view. The Air Ministry, in their wisdom, have said that the reports of ordinary accident investigation shall not be published.

"In the case of the R101 the fullest public inquiry is being made, but in the case of the ordinary aircraft accident no such information is given to the public, and the Guild feel that it is in the interests of aviation generally and of the public that the official findings should be made known."

"It has been the most natural thing in the world to blame the pilot. One hears on all sides that such and such an accident was caused through an error of judgment on the part of the pilot. If this is clearly proved before a court of pilots we should accept responsibility in full measure, but I wonder how many people outside ourselves realise that in a given set of circumstances it is impossible to avoid an accident."

"Only the experienced pilot is qualified to give an independent opinion, and he is practically never consulted."

The "Journal de Noticias," of Oporto, Portugal, announces that Captain Matos Oliveira has been appointed to succeed H.E. Senator Tamagnini Barbosa as Governor of Macao. Capt. Oliveira has held the important office of Marine for the last few years where his administrative ability and happy personality have made him most popular.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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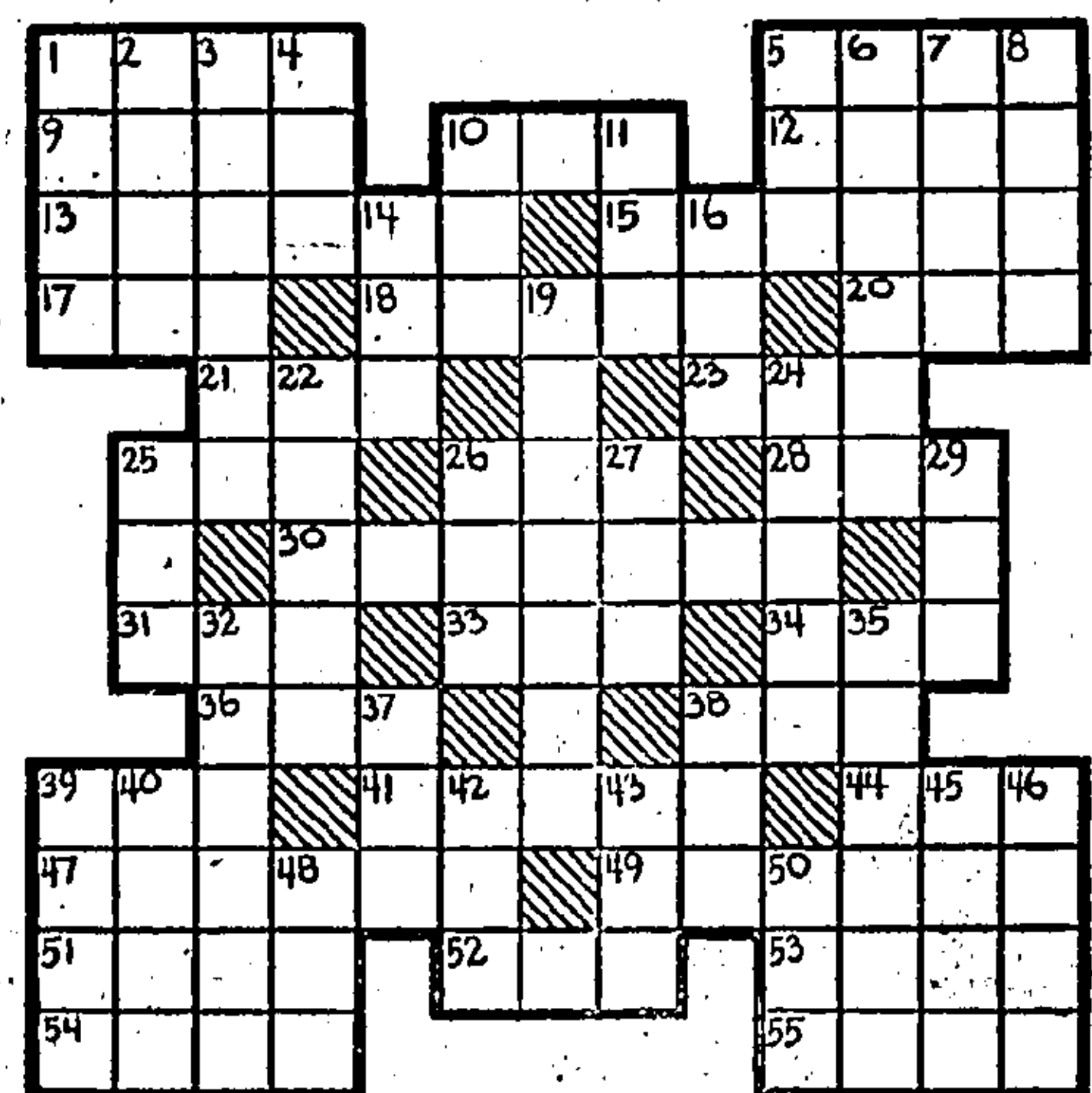
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-A wood or a wooded hill
5-Disposed of by sale
9-To declare positively
10-A Chinese drink
12-Extent of surface
13-Frivelly
15-Making no sound
17-A time-period
18-To ascend
20-Go (Scott)
21-And not
23-Greek letter R
25-Possessive pronoun
26-Personal pronoun
28-Single
30-A very hard mineral
31-A drinking vessel
33-Fish with sharp snout
34-An old cloth measure
36-Snare
38-A Mohammedan proper name

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

39-A branch of learning
41-A tree used at Christmas
44-Mineral spring
47-Muddled, as a liquid
49-Parting to passionate love
51-To the lee side
52-Household pot
53-An outfit
54-For fear that
55-Greek god of war

VERTICAL

1-Robust
2-Above
3-Eastern end of Mediterranean Sea
4-Prefix-three
5-Salt (Latin)
6-N. W. state of U.S.
7-A river in Siberia
8-A tropical fruit
10-Norse god of war
11-Beast of burden
14-Black curly liquid

VERTICAL (Cont.)

16-Noun-ending denoting vocation
19-Son of Abraham and Hagar
22-A river in E. Kansas
24-Inn
25-A doctrine or system
26-To band in the middle
27-Part of the head
28-Snake-like fish
29-An inland sea in Turkistan
40-A part taken by an actor
42-Not even
43-A limb of the body
45-An evergreen tree
46-Deeds
48-To allow
50-Plural of ovum

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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DECISIVE STAGE IN THE HISTORY OF INDIA.

(Continued from Page 7.)

stration of those subjects. Moreover, as the Governor General must as a last resort be able in an emergency to maintain the tranquillity of the State and must similarly be responsible for the observance of the constitutional rights of minorities, he must be granted the necessary power for those purposes.

A regards finance, the transfer of financial responsibility must necessarily be subject to such conditions as will ensure the fulfilment of the obligations incurred under the authority of the Secretary of State and the maintenance not be impaired of the financial stability and credit of India.

The report of the Federal Structure Committee indicates some ways of dealing with this subject including a reserve bank service of loans and an exchange policy which, in the view of His Majesty's Government, will have to be provided for somehow in the new constitution. It is of vital interest to all parties in India to accept these provisions to maintain the fiscal confidence.

Subject to these provisions the Indian Government would have full financial responsibility for the methods of raising revenue and the control of expenditure on non-reserved services.

This would mean that under the existing conditions a central legislative and executive would have some features of dualism which would have to be fitted into the constitutional structure. The provision of reserved powers was necessary in the circumstances, and some such reservation has indeed been incidental to the development of most free constitutions. But every care must be taken to prevent conditions arising which will necessitate their use (Hear, Hear).

It is for instance, undesirable that Ministers should trust to the special powers of the Governor General as a means of avoiding responsibilities which are properly their own, thus defeating the development of a responsible Government by bringing into use powers meant to lie in reserve and in the background.

Caste No Barrier.

The Governors' provinces will be constituted on the basis of full responsibility, and their Ministers will be taken out of the legislature and be jointly responsible to it. The range of provincial subjects will be so defined as to give them the greatest possible measure of self-government. The authority of the Federal Government shall be limited to the provisions required to secure its administration of federal subjects and discharge its responsibility for the subjects defined in the constitution as of an All-India concern.

There will be reserved to the

Governor only that minimum of special powers which is required in order to secure in exceptional circumstances the preservation of tranquillity and the guarantee of the maintenance of rights provided by the statute for public services and the minorities.

Finally, His Majesty's Government considers the institution in the Provinces of a responsible Government requires both that the legislatures should be enlarged and based on a more Liberal franchise.

In framing the constitution His Majesty's Government considers it to be its duty to insert provisions guaranteeing to the various minorities, in addition to political representation, that differences of religion, race, sect, and caste shall not in themselves constitute disabilities.

Unsettled Points.

In the opinion of His Majesty's Government it is the duty of the communities to come to agreement amongst themselves on the points raised by the Minorities Sub-Committee, but not to be settled there.

During the continuing of the negotiations such agreement ought to be reached and the Government will continue to render what good offices it can help to secure that end as it is anxious not only that no delay should take place in putting the new constitution into operation, but should start with the goodwill and confidence of all communities concerned.

Various sub-committees which have been studying the more important principles of the constitution which would meet Indian conditions, have surveyed a considerable part of the structure in detail and still unsettled points have been advanced a good way toward agreement.

Viceroy's Appeal.

His Majesty's Government, however, in view of the character of the Conference and the limited time at its disposal in London, deemed it advisable to suspend work at this point so that Indian opinion may be consulted upon the work done and expedients considered for overcoming the difficulties which had been raised.

His Majesty's Government will consider without delay a plan whereby our co-operation may be continued, so that the results of our completed work may be seen in the new Indian constitution. If in the meantime there is response to the Viceroy's appeal to those engaged at present in civil disobedience, and others wish to co-operate on the general lines of this declaration, steps will be taken to enlist their services.—
 Reuter.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday.
 The concluding proceedings of the Indian Round Table Conference began with a final meeting of the

Minorities Sub-Committee, at which Mr. MacDonald brought in the revised report of the sub-committee. Subsequently a plenary session continued the discussion of the reports of the sub-committees, including the Federal Structure Sub-Committee.

An important pronouncement by Mr. MacDonald on the policy of the Government with regard to the future constitution of India is expected this afternoon.

The final report of the Minorities Sub-Committee recommends that the conference register an opinion favouring the desirability of agreement upon the claims made, and that negotiations should be continued between the representatives concerned, with a request that the result of their efforts be reported to those engaged in the next stage of the negotiations. It adds that the minorities and depressed classes were definite in asserting they could not consent to any self-governing constitution unless their demands were met in a reasonable manner.

Delegates' Opinions.

At the Round Table Conference plenary session, Mr. MacDonald appealed to twenty delegates down to speak to withdraw their names, in view of the shortness of time. A number did so.

Then the Maharajah of Patiala resumed the general discussion. He emphasised that the Princes could only federate with British India, which was self-governing.

Mrs. Subbarayan urged that women must be given a full opportunity to contribute their service if India were to take her rightful place among modern nations.

Lord Peel said the outstanding fact of the conference had been the great change of opinion that had brought a conception of Federal India to the state of reality. He said the future attitude of the Conservatives would depend upon complete equality of treatment being granted to British traders and British trade, as to which he was surprised to see reservations made in some quarters.

Lord Reading said the Liberals supported the policy of conferring responsibility at the centre, provided the safeguards were adequate, and after listening to the debates they saw no reason to change this attitude.—
 Reuter.

"Proper Atmosphere."

New Delhi, Yesterday.
 In the Assembly, Sir James Crear, the Home Member, announced that the Government had decided to postpone consideration of the Press and Unlawful Investigation Bills, in view of the general desire of the House to create a proper atmosphere for the forthcoming momentous announcement of the Prime Minister.

Mr. Ranga Charari, the leader of the opposition, urged the suspension of the Press and Unlawful Investigation Ordinances, as well. Sir James Crear said he was unable to add anything to his statement.—
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